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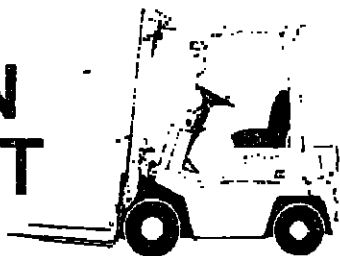
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### In North Yemen

## Cabinet shuffle seen

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Jan. 30 — North Yemen is expected to reshuffle its government and appoint a new prime minister soon.

The man most likely to succeed as premier is Dr. Hassan Makki, foreign minister and deputy premier — and a seasoned statesman in his own right. The incumbent premier, Abdul Aziz Abdul Ghani, is likely to become vice-president.

President Ali Abdullah Saleh is reported to have agreed to the inclusion of some members of the Yemen Democratic Front in his cabinet. The front, supported by South Yemen, has been clamoring for "political and social reforms" in the North.

During the war between the two Yemens last year, the front's militias

occupied territory inside North Yemen and would not withdraw. They finally pulled back due to efforts of the Arab League mediation committee, which was formed after an emergency session in Kuwait to stop the fighting.

The presidents of the two countries, Saleh and Abdul Fattah Ismail, met in Kuwait after the ceasefire. They then agreed to revive and implement two previously signed agreements to unify their countries.

Since then a number of committees have met to thrash out a joint constitution in preparation for unity.

One of the most complex issues facing the committees has been the definition of "socialism."

The two countries maintain different political and economic systems.

## Israel rejects Egypt's proposals

TEL AVIV, Jan. 30 (Agencies) — Israel has rejected Egypt's proposals for Palestinian autonomy, saying they were not acceptable as a basis for negotiation. U.S. officials admitted the two countries' positions were "diametrically opposed" and said America was starting to play a more active role in the talks.

But U.S. Special Ambassador Sol Linowitz Wednesday brought Prime Minister Menachem Begin new American ideas for breaking the logjam with Egypt on Palestinian autonomy negotiations.

"I believe that as a result of these discussions we can look forward to progress," Linowitz told reporters after meeting alone with Begin for more than an hour.

Linowitz also raised the unspecified new proposals for autonomy in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to President Anwar Sadat in Egypt. Sadat gave Linowitz a personal message for the Israeli leader.

Linowitz planned to meet the mayor of Gaza City Rashid Shawa, and other Palestinian leaders later, but the most influential Palestinian leaders, the mayors of the larger West Bank cities, refused an invitation to meet the American mediator.

Formal negotiations between the three sides resume Thursday in Herzliya, a Tel Aviv suburb. Both Egypt and Israel have offered detailed models for Palestinian self rule in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip, but each plan was rejected by the other side.

Linowitz adopted a characteristic upbeat tone in his brief remarks to reporters. "I think now we are marked on a course that we both feel will lead to the successful results we've been looking for," he said. He has "brought some ideas both Egypt and I think offer some promising approaches to some of the problems."

At a summit meeting in Aswan, Egypt, early in January Sadat suggested to Begin implementing autonomy first in the formerly Egyptian-ruled Gaza Strip. But there was no indication that Linowitz's planned meeting with Shawa was to discuss that proposition which was rejected by both West Bank and Gaza leaders.

Later Wednesday, Egyptian Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil was due to arrive in Israel to attend Thursday's ministerial-level plenary session.

Top negotiators Linowitz, Khalil and Interior Minister Yosef Burg were to meet Wednesday evening for informal talks over dinner.

In Gaza, the prospect of Linowitz meeting Mayor Shawa drew mixed reactions. The occupied town's leading supporter of the Palestine Liberation Organization, Dr. Haider Abdul Shafi, said he would have advised the mayor against the meeting.

On the moderate side, Bar Association Head Fayez Abu Rahma told the Associated Press that Gazans were frustrated and will take a "stubborn stand" in the autonomy talks but still were interested in getting their viewpoint across to the Americans.

In another development Israeli newspapers Wednesday reported a continuing buildup of Palestinian and Syrian military activity in Lebanon as there were fears of an outbreak of fighting.

A series of such reports has been appearing recently in Israel. Israeli officials have declined to make any public comment.

The afternoon newspaper *Maariv* said the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), equipped with heavy artillery and tanks, had taken over from Syria control of the Lebanese coastline between Beirut and Sidon.

Other Israeli media have reported movement of Syrian troops from the coastline to the south Bekaa Valley region about 30 km north of the Israeli border.

The newspaper *Yediot Ahronot* quoted reports from Beirut Wednesday that 75 Soviet military experts had joined Syrian forces in the Bekaa area.

## OIC to probe alleged bases

By Hassan Lakis

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 30 — The Organization of Islamic Conference plans to investigate the alleged presence of foreign bases in the "Horn of Africa" and Red Sea regions.

The investigation was proposed by Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal. The OIC authorized Secretary General Habib Chatti to determine the validity of the allegations and report the results of his findings to the next foreign ministers meeting in April.

The proposal was approved near the conclusion of the emergency Islamic foreign ministers conference here which also voted to condemn the Soviet Union's armed invasion

of Afghanistan.

The conference decided to condemn the armed aggressions against the Democratic Republic of Somalia and denounce the presence of military forces of the Soviet Union and some of its allies in the Horn of Africa and the Red Sea. The conference sought to remove these areas from the conflict between the great powers.

The foreign ministers decided to strengthen the Islamic people in those regions materially, financially and to provide assistance to the refugees driven from their homes by the forces of occupation and to Eritrean freedom fighters.

The original purpose of the conference was to discuss the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, but the issues of Jerusalem and Palestine were added to the agenda and the conference produced a greater number of resolutions than was expected.

Included among those resolutions was one that dealt with Iran adopted shortly before the closing ceremony. The wording was:

"The conference affirmed its vital stake in the sovereignty, territorial integrity and political independence of the Islamic Republic of Iran. It expresses its sincere wish that the Islamic Republic of Iran and the United States of America would resolve the outstanding problems between themselves by peaceful means and declared at the same time its firm opposition to any threat or use of force of any kind, of intimidation or interference or imposition of economic sanctions against the Islamic Republic of Iran or any other Islamic country."

Meanwhile, Prince Saud disclosed Tuesday night that a proposal by President Zia Ul Haq for joint Islamic defense would be thoroughly studied and evaluated and the next conference would take some concrete action on the proposal.

He added that the suggestion was important for the Muslim world. Arab nations have a common defense strategy and other nations also are interested in such a proposal.

Prince Saud said that economic, social and political cooperation and coordination were growing among Muslim states.

He described the extraordinary session as "a turning point in the history of the Islamic world."

Agha Shahi, the Pakistani presidential adviser for foreign affairs who chaired the conference, said that the Islamabad Declaration adopted by the extraordinary session would be sent to U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim for distribution among all member nations.

Shahi said that the decision to suspend Afghanistan's membership at the OIC took immediate effect.

Two major absentees were Syria and South Yemen. When told that they had already recognized the new Afghan regime, he said, "Let us see how the two react to the OIC decision."

Shahi said the resolution adopted by the ministers was the strongest censure the Soviet Union had ever received from any world forum. He said even countries with close relations with the Soviets had supported the condemnation of their action unequivocally.

In a separate development, official sources here said a five member appraisal mission of the Saudi Fund for Development headed by Sheikh Jamil Amin was expected in Karachi Wednesday to start a week-long visit.

During its stay, the mission will appraise the Port Muhammad Bin Qasim project and the Tarbela Dam project for possible co-financing.

In addition, the Saudi mission will visit Islamabad and Lahore and will hold negotiations with the senior officials of the Economic Affairs Division of the Ministry of Water and Power and WAPDA.

Pakistan's request for these two projects is expected to be in the vicinity of 65 to 70 million dollars.

The Saudi Fund for Development has already extended \$92 million to Pakistan for Pipri Thermal Power Project of the Karachi Electric Supply Corporation.

Meanwhile, Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi declared Wednesday that her government will do its utmost to enable a speedy withdrawal of Soviet troops in Afghanistan.

She said India was interested in defusing the crisis because superpower rivalry in the region posed a "grave threat" to the area.

"We are not pro-Soviet country or that, but pro-India," Mrs. Gandhi told parliament amid cheers from members of her ruling Indian Congress party.

### From British base

## Police seize stolen weapons

LONDON, Jan. 30 (R) — A large cache of weapons believed to include parts of missiles stolen from a top secret British defense base have been seized by police at a house near London, defense sources said Wednesday.

Most of the weapons were thought to come from the Royal Aircraft Research Establishment at Farnborough, southern England, the sources said Wednesday. Police had detained an employee at the base for questioning.

A defense ministry spokesman confirmed that explosives and firearms were found in a raid by police and security men at house near London last Friday.

He declined to give details of the weapons or their origin but added "There were categorically no nuclear weapons involved."

Police were investigating whether any foreigners were involved in storing the weapons, sources said. The raid followed a tip-off.

The Royal Aircraft Establishment RAE is one of Britain's most important defense research units and is surrounded by stringent security.

A London newspaper, *The Evening News* said a guided missile warhead was believed to be among the weapons found.

Police also discovered X-ray photographs giving clear views of missile heads and their working parts, the paper said.

Some of the weapons were thought to come from the Soviet Union, *The Evening News* said. They had been recovered from various trouble spots and taken to the RAE for examination.

## New initiative on Palestine

By Patrick Seale

LONDON, Jan. 30 (OFNS) — In recent Washington meetings with President Jimmy Carter's National Security Adviser, Zbigniew Brzezinski, high-level Saudi envoys have been pressing urgently for a new American initiative on Palestine.

They want President Carter to scrap the Camp David formula and bring Syria, Jordan and the PLO into the talks.

The Saudi Arabians are going all out to convince the administration that neither the election campaign in the United States nor the Afghan and Iranian crises should distract it from the stalemate Arab-Israeli conflict.

This has long been the Saudi view, but the sending of a princely delegation underlines the importance which Riyadh gives to movement on the Palestine question in the present state of the area.

The message in stark: only if America acts to break the Palestine log-jam can its friends, such as Saudi Arabia, come out boldly on the American side in the confrontation with the Soviet Union over Afghanistan.

Brzezinski has warned that a neutralist current is running strongly in the Middle East. Even in Saudi Arabian councils — not just in Damascus and Baghdad — voices are raised these days to declare that the prime Arab interest is to keep clear of super-power conflicts and avoid taking sides.

More significantly, influential people are arguing that the West has no God-given right to an exclusive monopoly of Saudi oil, and that the heavens would not fall if one day Russia were to buy some.

Saudi diplomacy seems to have had some effect, with the U.S. secretary of state, Cyrus Vance, now linking a Palestine settlement with the wider problem of Middle East stability.

Israel disputes this linkage. It maintains that the talks on Palestinian autonomy — which have got nowhere after eight months of haggling — should have no influence on America's attempt to mobil-

ize its Arab and Muslim friends against the Soviet challenge. Israel is seriously alarmed by America's apparent readiness to accept Arab views.

But if Washington is moving in the Arab direction, it is not moving fast enough for the Saudi Arabians. They want actions, not words.

It is understood that at the Washington meetings the Saudi envoys have argued for a public American acknowledgement that the Camp David guidelines on Palestine — so reviled by President Sadat's critics — have proved fruitless and should be scrapped. They recognize that Camp David brought benefits to Egypt, particularly in the recovery of Sinai, but did nothing for the other Arabs concerned.

In place of the Camp David formula, the Saudi Arabians would like the U.S. to propose a new forum which would include Syria, Jordan and the PLO as well as Israel — but not the Russians.

The agenda should go beyond the limited and discredited autonomy of the Camp David accords and boldly make Palestinian self-determination the long-term objective.

Only a daring innovation of this sort could, in the Saudi view, dispel the strong and widespread anti-American sentiment which is crippling America's Middle East policy.

Washington sources, however, are sceptical about the chances for a major new initiative. The advice reaching the president from his White House staff is to "keep the Palestine problem on the back burner until next November's election."

Such American caution would be bitterly disappointing to the Saudi Arabians, because they do want U.S. policy in the Middle East to succeed.

The message to Washington is that, unless progress is seen to be made on Palestine, the friendship of Saudi Arabia cannot be taken for granted. In particular, if its advice is not heeded, it cannot indefinitely produce for Western convenience twice as much oil as its own development requires.

## List of SR 13 million Donations made to Afghans

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, Jan. 30 — Over SR13.64 million has been received for the Afghan freedom fighters, according to the first list of donors published Wednesday. The largest single donation came from the National Commercial Bank which gave SR 10 million for the benefit of the Afghan Mujahadeen.

Other donations of SR 1 million appeared on the list as well as many smaller amounts.

Wednesday's list was the first published since King Khalid appealed for financial donations to aid the Afghan Muslims fighting the Soviet troops.

Last week, Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Baz, director general of the Department of Scholarly Research, Ruling Propagation and Religious Guidance, said the Zakat could be given to aid the Afghans. Zakat is 2½ percent of a muslim wealth which

must be given to the needy every year. King Khalid authorized the creation of the General Board of Donation for the Afghan Freedom Fighters in response to public demands to help the Afghan people.

Under the leadership of Governor of Riyadh Prince Salman, the board has opened donation accounts with the National Commercial Bank, Riyadh Bank, Rajhi Company for Currency and Trading and Muhammad and Abdullah Ibrahim Al Subei Exchange Bureau.

The first list of donors relayed by SPA revealed that Prince Saad bin Muhammad Abdul Aziz donated SR 500,000 while Sheikh Muhammad bin Saleh bin Sultan gave SR 1 million. Subei Money changers donated SR 172,500 while Abu Abdul Latif Muhammad Salah Jamjoom donated SR 100,000. An anonymous donor contributed SR200,000 as did Abdullah Muhammad Al Suaidah.

### Irrevocably committed

## U.S. reaffirms Israel ties

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP) — Defense Secretary Harold Brown reemphasized that the U.S. government's determination to maintain the safety of Israel.

"We are irrevocably committed," he told Congress in his annual report to President Jimmy Carter's budget, "to the security of Israel and a comprehensive resolution of the Arab-Israeli dispute."

The Middle East, he said, has the greatest importance for the United States "with the possible exceptions of Western Europe and East Asia." (See related story back page).

He pointed out that at the same time, the United States — and its allies even more so — will continue to depend on oil from the Middle East.

NATO, he said, keeps "sufficient" oil in storage for the support of allied forces without the need of immediate resupply.

"But the political cohesion of the alliance," he warned, "can be severely strained by threats to halt or reduce the flow of oil from the members of OPEC" — the Organization of Oil Exporting Countries.

Brown spoke of the danger of further tur-

moil in the Middle East, and of a major interruption of oil supply.

"And it is conceivable," he added, "that control of the oil itself might become an issue in the future as the Soviets encounter shortfalls in their domestic production and begin to look about for new assured supplies."

Some of the Soviet efforts in the region, Brown went on to have had only limited success.

Even Iraq as a radical regime he said, "views Moscow with suspicion, and the theocracy in Iran manages to remain both anti-American and anti-Soviet."

In reviewing the possibilities for violence in the area, he said that efforts at unity between Iraq and Syria had collapsed and that Oman has risked Arab displeasure by supporting the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty. Lebanon could erupt again he said and the Soviet actions in Afghanistan could bring still further instability.

## Is competency a requirement for U.S. diplomats?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP) — A deputy foreign service officer claims slipshod appointment procedures led to the designation of a U.S. ambassador who was unaware that India and Pakistan fought a war in 1971 and that there are two separate governments on the Korean peninsula.

The Carter diplomat outlined his experiences as the ambassador's chief deputy in a lengthy article in the *Foreign Service Journal*, a monthly magazine published by the American Foreign Service Association.

The diplomat did not disclose either his identity or that of the ambassador in the article. But in a telephone conversation with the Associated Press, Edward C. Ingraham, an east Asian affairs expert, confirmed he wrote the commentary and that the target of his critique is former South Dakota Governor Richard Kneip, a democrat appointed by President Jimmy Carter as Ambassador to Singapore.

Shortly after Kneip's arrival in Singapore, Ingraham wrote, senior staff members were presented, among many others, the following questions from Kneip:

"You say there had been a war between India and Pakistan? What was that about?"

"Did you say there are two separate Korean governments? How come?"

State Department officials in Washington said Kneip was aware of the article and declined comment.

Ingraham added that Kneip had never heard of prominent leaders of the past such as Mohandas Gandhi and Jawaharlal Nehru of India; President Sukarno of Indonesia or President Chiang Kai-Shek of Taiwan.

Nor was Kneip aware of such contemporary leaders as Chancellor Schmidt of West Germany, former British Prime Minister James Callaghan and French President Valery Giscard d'Estaing, Ingraham said.

Ingraham said his purpose in writing the article was to encourage the administration to review the problems of politically motivated ambassadorial appointments.

He did not identify Kneip in the article because he did not wish to embarrass him. He described Kneip as a "decent man whose only real fault is that he is a fish out of water."

Ingraham, 57, now diplomat-in-residence

at Lake Forest College in Illinois, his association with Kneip ended after eight months when the ambassador replaced him as Deputy chief of mission.

In the telephone conversation, Ingraham expressed surprise that the article had received press attention because the foreign service journal is an in-house publication. He said he did not think Kneip would become aware of it.

Ingraham said in the article that the committee appointed by the administration to review prospective ambassadorial appointees is inadequate. It should be replaced to examine the capabilities of a potential nominee, he said.

In the Kneip's case, he said, "A five-minute conversation with anyone versed in foreign affairs would have revealed his unsuitability for the job."

Other state department officials acquainted with Kneip's work in Singapore said Ingraham's portrayal is unfortunate and they contended that the former governor is making a positive contribution in his post.

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## In Riyadh complex

## Telephone computer center opened

RIYADH, Jan. 30 — Minister of PTT, Dr. Alawi Darwish Kayyal, officially opened Saudi Telephone's computer data center in Riyadh Tuesday. Dr. Kayyal cut the ribbon with A.J. Grandpre, chairman of Bell Canada, the contractor responsible for building, operating and maintaining the center.

The data center was built on schedule, Saudi Telephone said in a statement Wednesday.

Two IBM 3031 computers have been installed. The center is the first of Saudi Telephone's permanent building at the new headquarters site in Riyadh. Bell is building a business and residential complex at the site for the ministry, as well as similar compounds in seven major cities in the Kingdom.

The Bell chairman praised the ministry's foresight and leadership, and hoped further achievements would be as successful as the planning and construction of the center. The two computers and other sophisticated

## S. Korean footballers beat Saudi Arabians

JEDDAH, Jan. 30 — The South Korean football team Wednesday beat the Saudi Arabian national team 3-1.

The quick Koreans surprised the national team by an early score, only 42 seconds into the match. They scored again in the 11th minute.

Majed Abdullah scored a beautiful goal to end the first half 2-1 in favor of the visiting team. The Koreans scored their third in the 43rd minute of the second half.

The match, watched by 35,000 fans, was held in the presence of Prince Fahd bin Sultan, vice-president of Youth Welfare.

The two teams will meet for a return match on Friday in Dammam.

## Muslim city talks wind up in Mecca

MECCA, Jan. 30 (SPA) — Delegates to the Islamic Capitals Conference here have agreed to accept Medina as an observer owing to the sanctity and history of the city. Cyprus has also been admitted as an observer.

Mayor of Mecca Abdul Qader Koshak has been elected the secretary general of the Islamic Capitals Conference.

The conference also agreed on the formation of an administrative council, which will comprise representatives from Riyadh, Islamabad, Rabat, Kuala Lumpur, Amman, Conakry, Ankara, Baghdad as well as the two permanent board members, Mecca and Jerusalem.

equipment are already operating on the ground floor of the buildings.

The computers organize and store information according to "systems" developed by Bell Canada. These systems include business functions such as subscriber billing and employee payroll, as well as many others.

It is planned that Saudi Arabians will eventually make up the majority of systems experts in the computer center. Systems employees have already prepared for future growth by developing Saudi Telephone's five-year systems plan. Provision for future growth has also been built into the center, as it can be extended upward and outward.

Saudi Telephone compounds have been planned to be built in eight of the Kingdom's cities in Riyadh, Jeddah, Dammam, Mecca, Medina, Taif, Buraidah, and Abha.

Each center will incorporate commercial, residential, recreational and support functions. Bell Canada is the main contractor in the project, and is co-ordinating design, planning and construction at each site.

The peak construction period is expected to be in mid-1980. Work is also progressing on the main Saudi Telephone administration building just across from the center.

By centralizing business and residential functions, the permanent compounds will conform to the ministry's goal for Saudi Telephone, efficiency in operations and utility design. The uniform design of the compounds makes for economy in construction and easy identification throughout the Kingdom.

The residences will range in style from villas and apartments for families to accommodation for single people. Recreational buildings include swimming pools, basketball and volleyball courts, and a large playing field surrounded by a running track.

Each of the eight compounds will feature a mosque.

Two large training centers will also be built, one in Riyadh and one in Jeddah.

Meanwhile, employees who make the computers tick are busy operating and designing computer "systems." These systems organize, store, and produce information according to carefully designed instructions.

Of seven new Saudi Telephone systems three are now operating and four are ready for operation. Including the billing program, recently moved to Riyadh from Al Khobar, Saudi Telephone has a total of eight systems.

Subscriber billing was the first computer system to be developed in the Kingdom's telephone organization. During the past 18 months of Saudi Telephone, the billing operation

was improved through seven — digit number expansion, adjusting computer programs to new switching machines, implementing a system for operator — handled calls, and processing all unbilled toll tickets for 1978.

The seven newly — developed computer systems include: service orders (phase one), directory (white pages), payroll/personnel, accounts payable, network input, customer services information, and validation and accounting distribution.

The computer systems organization has managed its part of the Telephone Expansion Program using the "three by four" approach. Each system is developed in three stages, each stage lasts four months. A complete system is built in 12 months.

A brief description of each system:

1. Billing: Automatically produces invoices for all subscribers every three months.

2. Service orders (Sasos): This is an Arabic system employing a "service order center" equipped with video display units to enter service-order information into the computer's central processor. It translates names mechanically from Arabic to English and vice versa and prints copies of the order needed by the plant department, commercial department for action and for directory assistance for intercept service. It also automatically prints a copy for permanent filing when the order has been completed, one for the repair center and another for the subscription office. This system provides for the automatic translation, printing and updating of subscriber records.

3. Directory: Stores and produces directory listings in alphabetical order and updates the listings to publication date.

4. Payroll/personnel: When fully implemented will produce manpower reports and determine employee earnings at the same time every month for all districts.

5. Accounts payable: Records and classifies all purchases made by Saudi Telephone, using standard forms, procedures and reports.

6. Customer services information: Stores and protects all subscriber data. Other systems used for direct contacts all subscriber data. Other systems used for direct contact with subscribers will give access to these data, E.G. service orders, billing and directory.

7. Network input: Stores and processes all data on maintenance and billing from Saudi Telephone's exchanges.

8. Validation and accounts distribution: Arranges and stores all Saudi Telephone transactions and checks each for accuracy.

## Chinese envoy sees Riyadh trade officials

JEDDAH, Jan. 30 — President of Riyadh Chamber of Commerce and Industry Sheikh Muhammad Al-Frāyih, and secretary general Sheikh Saleh Al-Tuaimi Tuesday met Chinese Ambassador Yu Chi-hsueh.

Tuaimi said after the meeting that they discussed increasing complaints from Saudi Arabian importers about Chinese products differing from agreed specifications, *Al Riyadh* reported Wednesday.

Hsueh promised that more attention will be paid to checking goods bound for Saudi Arabia. The Chinese Inspection Department will inspect goods in cooperation with the chamber, and make sure that they comply with specifications before they are shipped to the Kingdom.

They also discussed the "great progress" in trade between the two countries, and solving difficulties which face common trade. Tuaimi said that the links would face real difficulties in future if problems arising from time to time are not solved before they get worse.

## Saudi Comment

By Muhammad Omar Al-Amoudi  
Al Medina

Until two months ago the favorite topic of conversation and favorite status symbol was real estate. Very often a man's worth was judged by the amount of land he possessed and the amount of profit he realized from speculating in it.

That was a time when a new jargon hit our conversation — words like drawings, plans, forms, building permit, thousands of meters and millions of riyals. Personal ambitions revolved around real estate agencies and those who had been looking forward to retirement from government service planned instead to open offices and deal in land.

If the situation had gone on much longer, and if the land fever had not subsided, our wealth would have been tied down in land. It could have led to a major economic disaster.

Since then private hospitals have been in fashion, and so are hotels. Investors are fascinated by the immediate success of the facilities and the rising demand for their services. Now a lot of people are contemplating building hotels and hospitals. Jeddah has five private hospitals, which were built with great difficulty and hardship for the pioneers who walked that road. The city too has a number of hotels and more are underway.

In order to avoid disaster, there should be some protection for those who have already built hospitals and hotels, while the city does not need any more of them.



MEETING: Prince Faisal bin Fahd, president of Youth Welfare, holds talks in Riyadh Tuesday with Ruth Carter Stapleton, the sister of the American president, on the development of sports in the Kingdom.

## SR2.8 billion project

## Huge E. Province power plant inaugurated

DAMMAM, Jan. 30 — Governor of the Eastern Province Prince Abdul Mohsen bin Jiluwi Wednesday inaugurated the Middle East's largest steam-operated power plant here. It is the first two phases of the Ghizlan plant.

The ceremony was attended by Minister of Industry and Electricity Dr. Ghazi Alghosabi, General Electricity Organization Governor Mahmoud Tayba and other senior officials. Tayba is also chairman of the Eastern Province's Saudi Consolidated Electricity Company.

Tayba said that the first stage of the plant involves the construction of two units of 400,000 kilowatts each. One of which has been operating experimentally, and success-

fully. The second has been operating on a temporary basis. He added that other two similar units will set up by August 1982 so that the total capacity of the plant will go up to 1,600 megawatts.

He added that the total cost of this SR 2.8 billion. He said that it operates on four types of fuel, including associated so as to use natural resources available in Saudi Arabia.

Tayba thanked the Saudi Arabian and foreign firms that took part, and SCECO, for helping in the development of "this huge project."

The Ministry of Industry and Electricity has meanwhile announced the names 149 Saudi Arabian factories to be given prefer-

ence in government purchasing. The Council of Ministers has acted to restrict the import of products similar to those produced by these industries.

The 149 plants process food and produce animal fodder, mineral water, furniture, wood, building materials, textiles, paper, prefabricated housing, paints and engineering, chemical and mineral products. *Al Jazirah* said Monday.

The ministry has issued a list of factories licensed at the end of 1978 under the policy of protecting and encouraging national industries and encouraging the investment of foreign capital. The list contained 1,421 factories, carrying out 68 different activities.

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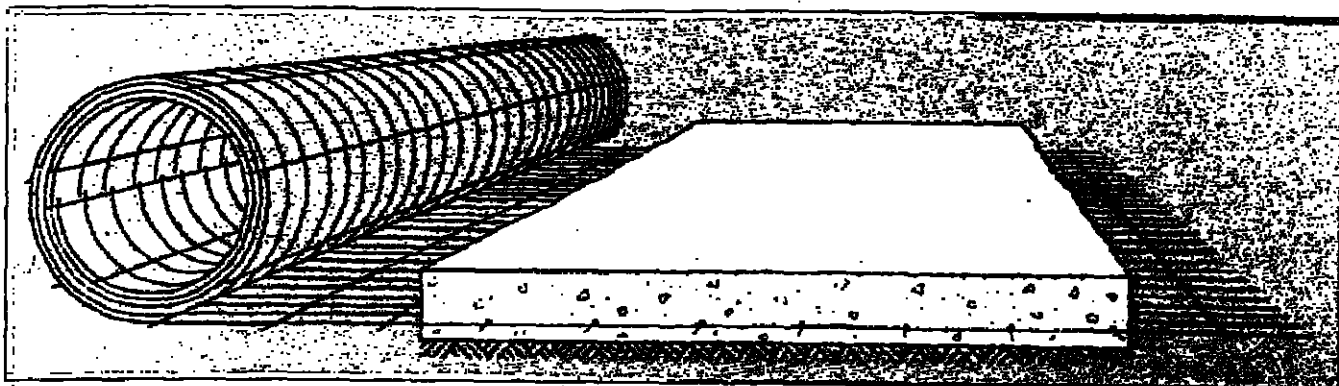
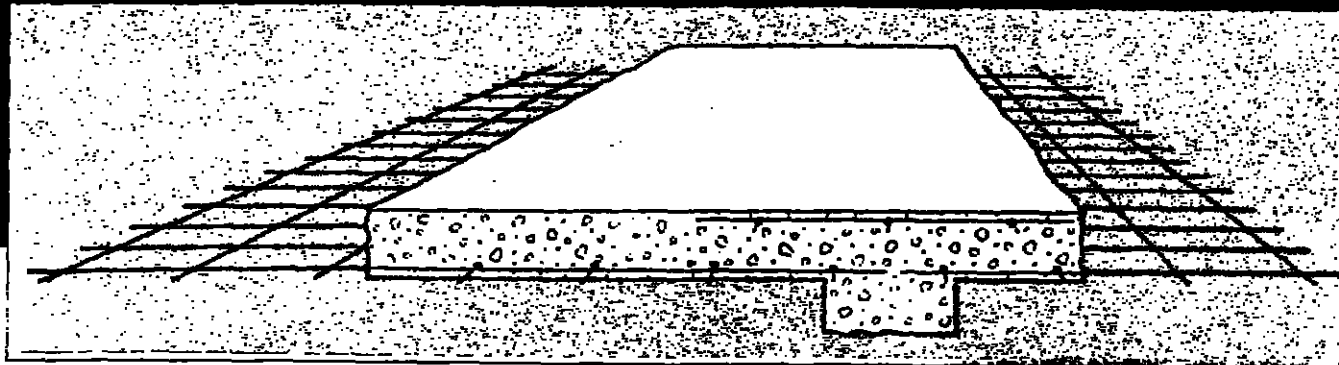
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50,000 tons

## U.S. longshoremen boycott broken; Russia-bound corn loaded on ship

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 30 (AP) — A crew of longshoremen began loading 50,000 tons of corn Tuesday on a ship headed for the Soviet Union — making the first break in a U.S. dockworkers' boycott of Russian-bound goods.

The crew was hired after a federal court judge forbade union officials from trying to keep longshoremen from working the ship.

The union emphasized that the order applies only to the Greek-owned *Julia L.* Dock managers had to dip into what are called the casuals, less experienced longshoremen, in order to fill out the crew, since only four regulars lined up.

"The steamship officials think we're standing around here telling these people not to work," said Norris Plaisance, president of International Longshoremen's Association

local 1418.

"But anybody ask me, and I tell them go ahead and work. Of course, I'm not going to twist anybody's arm on it."

The gathering of a work crew — seven workers and a waterboy — was the first break in the longshoremen's refusal to load ships as a protest of the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan.

It was the first court test of the boycott imposed earlier this month in trying to tie up Soviet-bound ships and cargo at U.S. ports from Maine to Texas.

The general counsel of the National Labor Relations Board moved Tuesday to obtain a federal court injunction to halt the nationwide boycott by the I.L.A.'s 80,000 members. William A. Lubbers ordered an unfair

labor practice complaint filed against the longshoremen for refusing to handle Soviet goods. Spokesman Thomas Miller said the NLRB regional administrator in Houston is expected to issue a formal complaint within the next day or two, at which time a court injunction would be sought.

Earlier Tuesday, there was confusion about the restraining order from U.S. District Judge Veronica Wicker in New Orleans, and union lawyer Victor Hess said he wasn't sure if it actually directed longshoremen to load the ship.

Wicker scheduled a hearing for Friday on whether her temporary restraining order would be converted into a preliminary injunction against five locals of the international union whose members work at the United States' second busiest port.

The order was sought by the New Orleans Steamship Association after the international union defied a similar ruling Monday by independent, third-party arbitrators.

Meanwhile, in Buenos Aires, Argentina, rejecting a U.S. appeal to halt new grain sales to the Soviets, reopened its grain market Tuesday without curbing the destination of corn, sorghum and soybeans to be harvested this year.

Officials of several private grain companies said the government measure ensured that virtually all Argentina's expected 5 million ton surplus of corn would be sold to the Soviet Union at prices well above international market levels.

The action by Argentina's National Grain Board put a definitive end to contradictory verbal responses by Argentine officials to Washington's appeal for supporting an international grain embargo to retaliate against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

It came four days after the government, in apparent policy reversal, publicly promised U.S. presidential envoy Gen. Andrew J. Goodpastor not to "pursue commercial advantages" arising from the U.S. embargo of a 17 million ton shipment of corn, soybeans and sorghum to the Soviet Union.

The price of Argentine corn has soared \$22 above that of U.S. corn quoted in Chicago since Carter announced the embargo Jan. 5. The boom was attributed to expectation that the Soviets would turn to Argentina, a major grain exporter, to replace the nearly 10 million tons of corn embargoed by Washington.

However, the grain board halted trading for corn, sorghum and soybean duties here Jan. 7 so the government could consider joining the embargo. Tuesday's action allowed traders to start making the required declaration of export sales of those grains, to be shipped in April, May and June.



FOR THE BIRDS: Penny is a rock hopper perched — one of the many attractions found at Marineland of the Pacific in California.

For DNA research

## Genetic guidelines relaxed

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP) — The U.S. Government has further relaxed guidelines for controversial gene-splitting research, a move that should make it easier for scientists to move ahead with genetic engineering work.

The new rules published Tuesday in the federal register by the national institutes of health were proposed last November and go into effect immediately.

The guidelines, mandatory for government-sponsored research and voluntary for industry, ease safety standards for the majority of the recombinant DNA work going on in the United States, said Dr. Bernard Talbot, special assistant to the NIH director.

"Experience, new data and a re-analysis of old data lead to the conclusion that some of the previous fears probably were overblown," Talbot said in an interview.

"This research can proceed safely, under the guidelines," he continued. Recombinant DNA technology involves manipulating deoxyribonucleic acid, DNA, the basic genetic ingredient of life, scientists split off and transfer genetic material from one species of organism into another.

This work, which now centers on bacteria and viruses, creates life forms not found naturally, scientists have found that this process also occurs in nature.

Since genes provide the blueprint for making cell products, scientists have been able to use this technology to "program" bacteria to make a number of useful hormones and medical products.

These include human insulin, growth hormone and interferon, a rare virus-fighting protein that shows promise in combating some cancers and other diseases.

First in 10 years

## Marcos treats Philippines to elections

MANILA, Philippines, Jan. 30 (AP) — For the first time in almost 10 years, Filipinos voted for local and provincial officials Wednesday with President Ferdinand E. Marcos' candidates expecting easy victories almost everywhere.

The commission on elections said 60,000 candidates were running for 16,065 spots, including governors, vice governors, mayors, vice mayors and municipal and provincial assembly officials.

In metropolitan Manila, where Marcos' wife Imelda is governor, elections were held in 17 towns and cities, but not for the Marcos-created metropolitan commission,

which she heads. The 30-day election campaign generated considerable interest among Filipinos, especially outside Manila, as is traditional with local elections.

Students in Manila and Davao city, 975 kilometers to the southeast, called for a boycott, and at least one Roman Catholic bishop urged introspection by the Catholics in his diocese before they decide whether to vote.

"Before you do anything on election day, ask yourself this question, 'will this election be fair,'" said Bishop Fernando Capalla of Iligan city in a pastoral letter read.

Voting is mandatory under martial law, but there is no record that any Filipino has been prosecuted for not voting in previous referendums or assembly elections held two years ago.

Only one party in purported opposition to Marcos' KBL, or New Society Movement, has emerged, but Marcos headed it, the Nacionalista Party, before he proclaimed martial law in 1972.

The current Nacionalista president, former Sen. Jose J. Roy, declared early in the campaign that his party's opposition was based on personalities and not issues and had no criticism of the Marcos regime.

## Japan sentences terrorist for attempted assassination

TOKYO, Jan. 30 (AP) — A former leader of the Japanese Red Army, a small radical terrorist group, was sentenced to 18 years in prison for the 1970 hijacking of a commercial jet to North Korea and a planned 1969 armed attack on the prime minister's official residence in Tokyo.

The prosecution had demanded that Takaya Shioimi, 38, be sentenced to 18 years in prison. Shioimi was arrested in March 1970 and has been in jail since then. In passing sentence, the Tokyo District Court said the 10 years Shioimi already has spent in detention will be included in the 18-year prison term.

Shioimi was accused of plotting an armed attack on the official residence of then-Prime Minister Eisaku Sato in the autumn of 1969. He sought to prevent Sato from visiting the United States to discuss reversion of Okinawa to Japan.

In preparation for the attack, the prosecution charged that Shioimi trained 58 members of the extremist group in a mountain hideout in Yamanashi prefecture (state).

Shioimi also was charged with masterminding the March 1970 hijacking of a commercial jet to North Korea, where Shioimi allegedly hoped to establish a new Red Army stronghold.

## Neo-Nazi group outlawed for demeaning W. Germany

BONN, West Germany, Jan. 30 (AP) — The Bonn Government banned a notorious neo-Nazi group Wednesday, charging that its military-type activities are unconstitutional and give West Germany a bad name.

The right-extremist Sswehrsportgruppe (Defense Sport Group) Hoffmann, stationed in a castle south of Nuremberg, aims at establishing a totalitarian regime. "It wants to reach its aims by force," a statement said.

Its leader, commercial artist Karl-Heinz Hoffmann, 43, moved into Ermsreuth castle after buying it with the financial help of his fiancée, the Interior Ministry said in its last annual report about West German radicals. Photos published in West German

magazines show Hoffmann, who likes to strut about in SS uniform, enter the castle gates where steel-helmeted guards present arms.

"The WSG organized uniformed, paramilitary maneuvers with surplus military vehicles and old engineering equipment, attended by about 70 of its approximately 400 followers," the annual report said.

Hoffmann, who frequently gave interviews to Italian, Spanish, Dutch and Canadian reporters, was turned back when he and some of his followers tried to enter Britain at Dover on November 3, 1978.

"Hoffmann tried hard to intensify his contacts abroad, particularly in England and France," the annual report said.

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## Victorious in Test series

# Windies beat Aussies by 408 runs

ADELAIDE, Jan. 30 (AP) — The West Indies beat Australia by 408 runs in the third Test at Adelaide Oval Wednesday.

Set 574 runs in 545 minutes in its second innings, Australia was all out for 165 39 minutes after the start of play on the fifth and final day.

This gave the West Indies a 2-0 win in the series and its first victory in a series in Australia.

The final scores were West Indies 328 and 448; Australia 203 and 165.

Australia, which had resumed Wednesday morning at seven for 131, lost its three remaining wickets while adding 34 runs.

Michael Holding took the three wickets to finish with four for 40.

His victims were Geoff Dymock, Ashley Mallett and Len Pascoe with Rodney Marsh remaining 23 not out after 101 minutes with two fours.

Man of the Match award was won by West Indies captain Clive Lloyd.

West Indies batsman Vivian Richards won the Man of the Series award. His prize was a gold tray and goblets.

Lloyd's cricketers leave Australia for New Zealand Thursday as the richest, most suc-

cessful and probably the best Caribbean side ever to tour.

"A very strong fast bowling attack backed up by brilliant fielding and an excellent batting line-up" was how Australian captain Greg Chappell comprehensively described the Windies after they beat his side by the massive 408 runs and retained the Sir Frank Worrell Trophy 2-0.

It was the first time in six tours that a West Indies side has won a series in Australia.

To Lloyd the real triumph of the season came in finally proving that the West Indies no longer had to wear the reputation of being fine when the going suited them but liable to crack when things got tough.

"Earlier this year we were nearly out of the one-day competition and we had quite a few injuries, but we came back and won that and won others," Lloyd said.

Previous sides, such as the 1961 team were great, but Lloyd believed they were not professional in their outlook.

"This side has got more of a killer instinct than the rest," he said.

The Australians could testify to that. Resuming at 131 for seven Wednesday, they lasted only nine overs and 39 minutes before

Michael Holding completed the West Indies demolition job by taking the wickets of Geoff Dymock, Ashley Mallett and Len Pascoe, and finished with the figures of four for 40. Rodney Marsh remained unbeaten on 23.

The Australians were dismissed for 165.

Chappell conceded that his side knew they were a beaten team in their second innings.

"I would have hoped that had the situation been different in the second innings. Our performance would have been better, but when you have no hope of winning the game and no hope saving the series it's pretty hard for everyone to get fired up."

"It's very hard to drive yourself to do something that you know is not going to do much more than save a bit of pride ... perhaps that's all we could have done."

Chappell singled out the Australian fielding as a disappointing part of their play, and said the busy match program had probably meant there was less time to sharpen up fielding in practice.

But despite the loss, the side was in "reasonable shape" for the third Test against England, starting in Melbourne on Friday.

"The way to forget this match is to do well in the next one."

New South Wales paceman Geoff Lawson meanwhile took a step closer to Test selection when the Australian cricket Board announced his inclusion in the team to tour Pakistan next month.

The board announced their 14 players Wednesday from the shadow squad of 18 named earlier in the month but also advised that Jim Higgs of Victoria was unavailable owing to "fitness and personal reasons."

The touring 14 are: Allan Border (NSW), Ray Bright (VIC), Greg Chappell (QLD), Geoff Dymock (QLD), David Hookes (SA), Kim Hughes (WA), Bruce Laird (WA), Geoff Lawson (NSW), Dennis Lillee (WA), Mick Malone (WA), Ashley Mallett (SA), Rodney Marsh (WA), Julian Wiener (Vic) and Graham Yallop (Vic).

The board will name the captain and vice-captain later.

The team will leave on Feb. 17 and play three Test matches and two three-day matches before returning on March 25.

It is expected that the board will make a final decision on whether the tour will proceed at its meeting in Melbourne at the end of next week.

Alan Barnes, secretary of the board, also announced that the test team to play England in Melbourne on Friday will be the same as the team defeated by the West Indies Wednesday.

The 12 named are: Greg Chappell (Capt), Kim Hughes (Vice-Capt), Bruce Laird, Rick McCosker, Julian Wiener, Ian Chappell, Allan Border, Rodney Marsh, Dennis Lillee, Geoff Dymock, Ashley Mallett and Len Pascoe.

The 12th man will be named on the opening day of the match.

In Calcutta, Sandeep Patil, playing in his second Test, was top scorer with 62 as India methodically built up a score of 205 on the opening day of the sixth and final Test against Pakistan Tuesday.

Sandeep dominated a fifth wicket partnership of 88 with Yashpal Sharma, who was not out on 28 at the close but was hopelessly unentertaining. At one stage he spent 51 minutes without scoring.

India ground along through the day with scores of nine, 61 and 65 in the three two-hour sessions.

After Sunil Gavaskar and Can Chauhan had set them off with an opening stand of 48, they slid to 99 for four, but Patil and Sharma foiled Pakistan's hopes of bringing about a collapse.

Gavaskar, who relinquished the Indian captaincy after the fifth Test, made 44.

## Olympic Flame lit in Greece

OLYMPIA, Greece, Jan. 30 (R) — The Olympic Flame, supposedly symbol of peace and fraternity, was lit Wednesday in the olive groves of ancient Olympia to be taken to the 1980 Olympic Winter Games in Lake Placid.

The flame was kindled by the sun's rays at the sacred altar of Hera in a ceremony carried out by Greek actress Maria Moschouli in the role of high priestess.

The high priestess, flanked by 17 robed maids, called on the Greek gods to bless the 13th Winter Games, to be held in the United States from Feb. 13 to 24.

The weather was cold but sunny when the Priestess lit a branch of an olive tree using the sun's rays and a magnifying mirror.

The Priestess, accompanied by the maids brought the flame into the Olympic stadium and then to statue of Pierre Coubertin, French founder of the modern Olympics.

A 15-member U.S. presidential delegation headed by Mrs. Anne Wexler, assistant to the president, and a 11-member team of the Lake Placid Olympic Organizing Committee headed by its president, the Rev. J. Bennett Fell, arrived here to be present in the ceremony.

The delegations laid a wreath at the statue and after brief speeches, the Olympic Flame was passed to the first torch bearer, who started a relay of other runners to the village of Platanos.

There, a miner's lamp was lit to transport the flame by car to the airstrip of Andravida, from where it will be taken by air to Athens Airport.

From the airport a relay of runners will carry the flame to the all-marble Athens Olympic Stadium where the first modern Olympic Games were held in 1896.

After a ceremony at the stadium, the flame will be handed over to the Lake Placid Organizing Committee to be taken to the United States later Wednesday evening.

## English soccer scores

LONDON, Jan. 30 (AP) — Results of English soccer matches Tuesday night:

FA Cup, Fourth Round Replay

Wrexham 3 Carlisle 1

English League Division Three

Bury 0 Colchester 1.



HEADER: Arsenal and Brighton players wait for a header in an F.A. Cup game at Highbury this weekend. From left are Brian Horton and Steve Roster of Brighton and Wille Young of Arsenal.

## Big games postponed

# Clerc through in Richmond tennis meeting

RICHMOND, Virginia Jan. 30 (AP) — Eighth-seeded Jose-Luis Clerc of Argentina got the only service break of the third set in the 11th game for a 6-3, 4-6, 7-5 victory Tuesday night over American Terry Moor in the first round of the 15th annual Richmond Tennis Classic.

In the only afternoon first-round singles match of the injury-plagued tournament Andrew Patison of Rhodesia was the winner.

Clerc, the only seeded performer in action Tuesday, broke Moor in the sixth game of the first set to win. After the two traded service breaks in the fourth and fifth games of the second set, Moor got another break in the 10th game to even the match.

The Argentine survived two break points on his own serve in the 12th game of the third set after taking a 6-5 lead and won the last three points for the match.

Patison posted a 6-1, 7-5 decision over American Mike Shore, a last-minute entry in place of fifth-seeded Gene Mayer, who was forced to withdraw because of a leg injury. He was the 11th player to drop out from the original 32-man lineup.

Injuries and other reasons forced tournament officials to postpone the first-round matches of top-seeded John McEnroe, second-seeded Roscoe Tanner, third-seeded Guillermo Vilas of Argentina and seventh-seeded Brian Gottfried.

Nine singles matches were played Monday and Monday night, with fourth-seeded Eddie Dibbs of the United States and sixth-seeded Wojtek Fibak of Poland advancing to the second round.

McEnroe, who lost a five-set decision to Jimmy Connors in Sunday's finals of the U.S. Pro Indoor Tournament, asked for a day's delay in his match because of a death in his family and the fact he played 14 sets in 12 hours in Philadelphia.

Delays had previously been asked by Tanner and Vilas, who has a foot injury. Gottfried asked for a postponement because of a strained back.

The tournament ends Sunday with the successor to Sweden's Bjorn Borg, who is not taking part this year, winning.

In Seattle, Washington, third-seeded Wendy Turnbull of Australia, Betsy Nagelsen and Greer Stevens of South Africa won easily Tuesday as opening round action continued in a women's professional tennis tournament.

Turnbull breezed past Laura Dupont 6-0, 6-1. Nagelsen won handily over Marita Redondo 6-4, 6-1, and Stevens defeated Barbara Jordan 6-1, 6-3.

Mima Jausovec of Yugoslavia, Sherry Acker and Sylvia Hanika of West Germany posted victories earlier in the day.

Jausovec edged Nina Bohm of Sweden 7-6, 7-3 (tie-breaker), 6-2. Acker defeated Barbara Potter 6-3, 3-6, 6-4, and Hanika beat Renee Richards 6-3, 6-2.

The championship game takes place Sunday.

## May make final

# Norman looks good in squash

LONDON, Jan. 30 (R) — Ross Norman, a fast improving squash player from New Zealand, has an outstanding chance of reaching the final of the British Amateur Championship at his third attempt.

The 20-year-old from Auckland, who pays for his squash by working as a part-time cafe man, cruised into the last eight of the tournament here Tuesday by defeating leading Egyptian international Allam Soliman 4-9, 9-0, 9-3, 9-1.

"I was a bit sluggish in the opening game but after that there were no problems," he said.

Norman, the top amateur of his country, now faces Lars Kvant, his Swedish counterpart, in the quarter-finals on Thursday.

"Kvant has been around a long time," added Norman. "But I beat him in straight games in the world team championships in Brisbane last year, so I am hopeful of another success."

Norman failed to progress beyond the third round of the British Amateur in his previous attempts, but his impact at the world event

helped promote him to fourth place in the seedings.

Not only did he demolish Svant but he went the full five games with Pakistan number two Atlas Khan in the quarter-finals of the individual competition held in Melbourne.

Fifth seeded Kvant booked his clash against Norman with a straightforward 9-4, 9-2, 9-3 triumph over unranked Fahim Gul of Pakistan.

Should Norman conquer Kvant he will face the winner of the quarter-final between Australian Roger Flynn and Barry O'Connor of Britain, both unseeded.

A semifinal clash with either player will be an unexpected bonus for Norman, because he should have met world champion Jehangir Khan of Pakistan. The 16-year-old prodigy was forced out on the eve of the tournament because of a back injury.

Flynn defeated Jan Soderberg of Sweden 10-8, 9-1, 9-5 and O'Connor had an even easier 9-2, 9-2, 9-1, third round success over former England Number One Stewart Courtney.

vive an upset bid. She was beaten by Sweden's Elizabeth Ekblom. The winner rallied from a 4-1 second set deficit.

It took third seed Carrie Meyer three sets with a tiebreaker to get past Candy Reynolds, 4-6, 6-4, 7-6, in a match that lasted nearly three hours.

Tuesday's other matches completed the tournament's first round. Rosalyn Fairbank, South Africa, defeated Julie Harrington, 7-5, 6-3; Diane Morrison defeated Australian Pam Whytecross, 6-3, 6-0 and Roberta McCallum defeated Kim Sands, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3.

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## Jesse Owens has cancer

TUCSON, Arizona, Jan. 30 (AP) — Former Olympic track star Jesse Owens was discharged from a Tucson Hospital Tuesday after undergoing tests and treatment for cancer of the left lung.

Owens was admitted to the University of Arizona Health Sciences center Jan. 23. Curtis Foley, administrative coordinator, said Owens was in good spirits.

Owens is expected to begin commuting to

the University Hospital in two or three weeks to continue chemotherapy treatment.

Dr. Stephen Jones said Owens' kind of cancer, adenocarcinoma, is usually associated with heavy cigarette smoking. The former athlete had smoked about packet a day for 35 years before he quit.

Jones said Owens has an inoperable tumor in his left lung.



IN GOAL: Phil Parks, the West Ham goalie, gets the ball with Tommy Taylor of Orient on the left and Alvin Martin of West Ham on the right in a Leyton game at the weekend.

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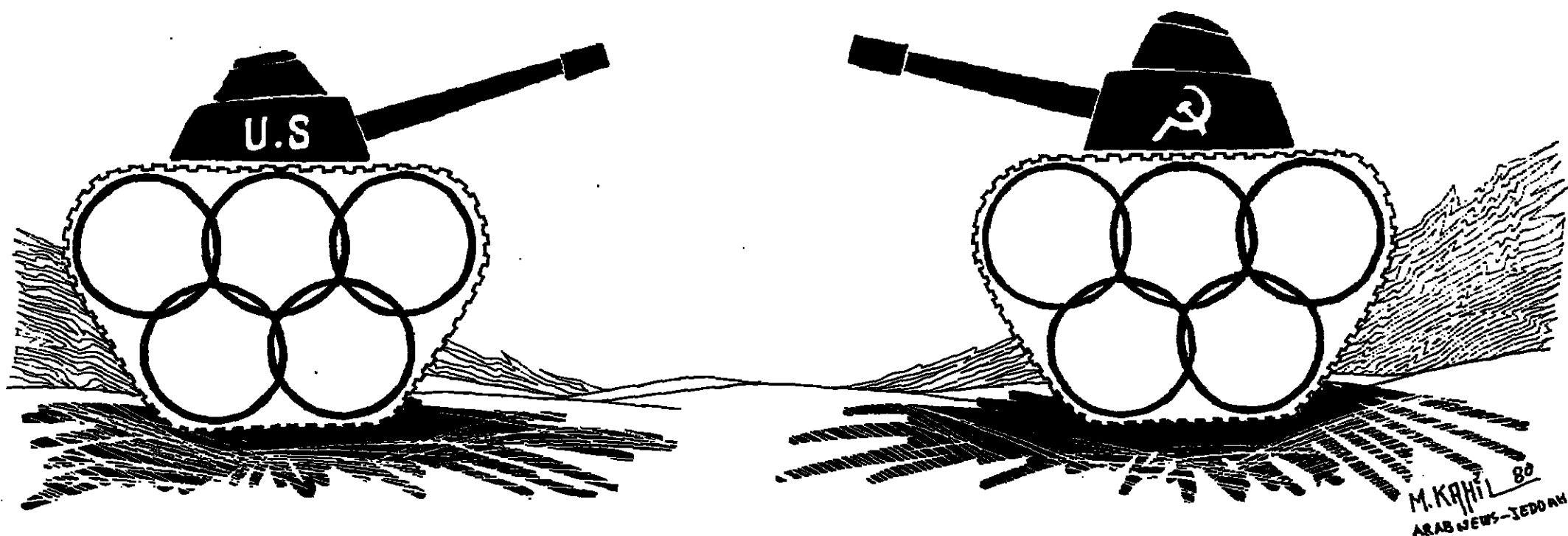
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## Vietnam turns down ASEAN peace move

By Dennis Bloodworth

SINGAPORE — The landslide vote in the United Nations this month, calling for the withdrawal of Soviet troops from Afghanistan, reflected above all the new, long and sorrowful look that the nonaligned states are taking at the implausible Russians.

As the Soviet hijacking of Afghanistan rudely shook Asia awake from dreams of inviolate neutrality, the non-Communist countries of this subcontinent were testing Hanoi for some comforting sign that there was a better motive behind the Vietnamese hijacking of Cambodia than Communist ambition and a nationalistic urge to expand.

Tired of the gap between the soothing words and savage misdeeds of the Vietnamese, their neighbors decided to call their bluff. The member states of ASEAN, the Association of South-East Asian Nations which takes in Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore, Indonesia and the Philippines, had already won an overwhelming vote in the U.N. demanding that Vietnam pull its forces out of Cambodia.

They now agreed that when Malaysian Foreign Minister Tengku Ahmad Rithauden visited Hanoi this month, he would don his other hat as chairman of ASEAN and call on his prevaricating hosts to discuss with the association a possible political settlement of the Cambodian issue.

If the Vietnamese had invaded Cambodia simply to neutralize a supposed threat to themselves, it was argued, they could not object to a dialogue whose ultimate object would be the installation of a neutral government in Phnom Penh. If they rejected the dialogue, it would be clear that their aim was to dominate Indochina, and perhaps the rest of the region, by force.

Hanoi slammed the door well before Rithauden arrived. ASEAN's *démarche* was branded "crude interference" in Cambodia's internal affairs and the people's "right to self-determination," and all proposals for a peaceful settlement were denounced as transport ploys serving the expansionist designs of Peking.

The Vietnamese made it clear that they would not withdraw their 200,000 troops from their wrecked Cambodian puppet state until the regime of Heng Samrin they had imposed upon its inhabitants was recognized as the legitimate government, and Cambodia was no longer threatened by predatory Chinese "and other reactionaries."

Rithauden would be welcome in Hanoi — but only as foreign minister of Malaysia. Having first flayed ASEAN, Hanoi urged the ASEAN countries to develop "friendship and cooperation" with Vietnam. On Jan. 5 the Vietnamese communiqué offering to negotiate bilateral nonaggression treaties with the individual ASEAN partners (and Burma) and the setting up in this subcontinent of a "region of peace, independence,

freedom, neutrality, stability and prosperity."

Rithauden therefore flew to Hanoi recently solely as Malaysian foreign minister, but conveyed a message from his ASEAN colleagues that they were ready for a dialogue. The Vietnamese equivocated by agreeing at once but stressing again that the talks should be bilateral. They never once mentioned ASEAN by name or acronym.

Hanoi was almost lyrical about the "new era" opening up in Vietnam's relations with "South-East Asia", but elsewhere the euphoria was muted. For one thing, the proposal for a region of "independence" (among other alluring selling points) was made by Premier Pham Van Dong back in 1977, and much Vietnamese vituperation has flowed into ASEAN ears since then.

In the context, the more cynical point out, "independence" means "liberation" from "bourgeois" or "colonial" government, and as a political aim is a license for the Vietnamese to foment revolution later.

For another, blandishments offered to Malaysia on a strictly bilateral basis were followed by a blast at Singapore for acting as the "war-horse" of Peking "expansionists" and U.S. imperialists, which confirmed suspicions that Hanoi was out to split ASEAN.

The club's distrustful mood has been accentuated by events in Kabul. Moscow has tried to disguise naked aggression in Afghanistan as a rescue operation to save a fraternal "Socialist" state from native traitors convincing at the sinful machinations of American and Chinese agents in neighboring Pakistan, while Hanoi has told the same unlikely story about neighboring Thailand in order to justify the seizure of Cambodia.

Vietnamese tanks could not have moved a mile in Cambodia without Russian aid, now running at more than \$2 million a day, but some see a gleam of hope in the heavy Soviet involvement and ultimate Soviet responsibility there.

According to one sound source, the Russians agreed to give the green light for what was supposed to be a *Blitzkrieg* in Cambodia and are now dismayed by the danger that their Vietnamese proxies may be bogged down indefinitely, since that is exactly what the Chinese want.

A Soviet delegation visiting Singapore at the end of last year left a strong impression that Moscow was getting anxious about the Cambodian "quagmire", that the Russians had urged the intransigent Vietnamese to limit hostilities and keep out of any confrontation with Thailand, and that they were keen to see Vietnam establish better relations with ASEAN.

However, others contend that for Moscow Cambodia offers a distraction to the enemy while the Soviet Union goes about more serious business in the Middle East, and the argument that the Russians may save the situation by restraining their

unpredictable Asian allies appears ludicrous in the light of their own antics in Afghanistan.

Pessimists in this region fear that the see-through pretexts with which Moscow and Hanoi have tried to cloak their aggression against these two once-neutral states reveal as fool's gold the concepts of coexistence and neutrality by which small states live and breathe.

The Singapore Foreign Ministry has pointed out that in the past it was the Soviet Union that encouraged the weak and undeveloped to join the Nonaligned Movement in order to safeguard their political integrity and independence. Some 90 nations did so — including Afghanistan.

A pro-Russian, anti-American caucus then perverted the organization, until Cuba was in the chair and Babrak Karmal, Moscow's marionette in Kabul, could solemnly tell Tass recently that he proposed to "pursue a nonaligned policy with the aid of the Soviet Union."

The ASEAN member-states do not want to concede the fight for true nonalignment by quitting the

movement, but as their own plans for a South-East Asian zone of peace and neutrality threaten to crumble, the partners face the growing possibility that they may have to polarize and pick their superpower if, as one Singapore minister put it, national security is threatened and "it coincides with our own interest."

It was reported on Jan. 16 that Thailand had opened talks with its allies on a new collective defense system, and Premier Kriangsak Chomanan confirmed that "other countries" were proposing the revival of the South-East Asia Treaty Organization (SEATO).

This anti-Communist security system was set up under the Manila Pact of 1954, which sanctions American (as well as British, Australian and French) military intervention in cases of aggression against Asian members, including Pakistan and Thailand.

After Cambodia and Afghanistan, the question uppermost in the minds of all Asians now is — "Who next?" (OFNS)

## Uganda's Binaisa awaits aid

By Alistair Matheson

KAMPALA — Uganda's President Godfrey Binaisa says he is considering a drastically scaled-down reconstruction program, based on "going it alone," if substantial foreign help does not arrive soon.

He describes the aid that has arrived so far as "mere chickenfeed." At a breakfast-time interview in Entebbe's State House, where Amin lived until early last year, Binaisa expressed deep disappointment at the lack of help from industrialized countries and from fellow African states.

"The West's excuse for not giving aid yet is that we are not stable. How can we be stable when we had a shooting war only six months ago? We need the instruments to become stable first. No country can recover from what Uganda suffered under Amin without 'artificial respiration,'" he said.

Binaisa's alternative strategy would be for Uganda first to rehabilitate its agro-industries — mainly coffee, tea, sugar and cotton — which can earn much-needed foreign exchange.

With additional hard currency to buy essential spares and re-equip the country's looted and vandalized transport network, Uganda would then be able to re-start other industries.

Whatever happens Binaisa is determined to make greater use of the country's large reserves of manpower by development of a "peasant out-grower system." However, foreign firms are still being encouraged to invest in a "mixed economy."

Binaisa said agreements with two important overseas firms were being implemented on the basis of a controlling 51 per cent stake for the govern-

ment, although the same formula would not necessarily be used in agreements with other companies. "Our main concern is to protect the interests of Uganda," he added.

Strenuous efforts have been made to allay the fears of Arab states which supported Amin and to satisfy them there is complete religious freedom in the new Uganda. In addition to visits to Libya and Iraq by Internal Affairs Minister Paulo Muwanga, a delegation of Ugandan religious leaders is touring Middle Eastern states.

The government is sticking to the timetable given by Binaisa for an early return to a democratic system after eight years of Amin's rule. Expansion of the ruling National Consultative Council, to include Ugandans who remained behind under Amin, has been carried out ahead of schedule, and the first step toward preparation for a general election in June next year was a national census on Jan. 18.

The hostile reception which Binaisa shared with President Nyerere of Tanzania at the last summit of the Organization of African Unity still rankles with the Ugandan leader.

"All the OAU does is to leave it to Europe and Western-oriented countries to help us," he said.

Next month Uganda will receive 1,500 tons of Cuban sugar as a gift from Fidel Castro, Binaisa acknowledged, but as if to pre-empt speculation about Uganda moving into the Soviet orbit, he strongly denounced the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, pledging Uganda's support for Pakistan's protest.

"We know who is in the wrong. Russia is in breach of international law," he said. (OFNS)

## AMBITIOUS SOVIET INVASION

The resolutions of the Islamabad foreign ministers conference have underscored the importance of Islamic solidarity in the face of adversities.

The Organization of Islamic Conference realized that the United Nations could do little, short of war, to dislodge the Soviet army from Afghanistan. The nonaligned conference also, is powerless and too riddled with differences to be of any meaningful assistance.

Muslims proved in Islamabad that they could act swiftly. OIC Secretary General Habib Chatti was asked whether Afghan freedom fighters would be granted the status of observers. The reply was that the question did not arise and that they would be granted the same status as the PLO if they united into one group and submitted a formal request. One day later, Prof. Borhanuddin Rabbani, head of the Islamic Alliance for the Liberation of Afghanistan delivered a speech before the conference's political committee. And now that the membership of the regime of Babrak Karmal has been suspended from the OIC, the IALA is to become a full-fledged member of the OIC.

But the most positive aspect of the conference was that all Muslim countries without exception — and the voice of Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal was pre-dominant in this respect — showed without a shadow of doubt that they were weary and could not tolerate anymore the idea of seeing their independence harmed or reduced. Both superpowers were blasted and the attention was focussed on Prince Saud when he stressed that the Nonaligned Movement had lost its efficiency when it aligned itself and departed from the principles for which it had been established.

The Soviet invasion is the worst crisis to befall Islamic states since the Zionist occupation of Jerusalem and Palestine. It would be foolish to believe that Soviet ambitions will stop at Afghanistan. Their plan is more ambitious.

But can the resolutions of the foreign ministers be of any value in compelling the Soviet Union to withdraw its troops? If the United States, Western Europe, China, Japan and their allies could not contemplate such a possibility, what can the Islamic states really do?

They can, especially the wealthier ones, do a great deal, to make Soviet invasion a costly affair and Soviet occupation as untenable as possible. This could take the form of enhanced aid to the Afghan Muslim resistance movement. These fighters will take the brunt of Soviet vengeance in the coming few weeks as the snows begin to melt, allowing Soviet tanks to move faster and deeper into the country.

Most newspapers Wednesday led with the Islamabad Islamic foreign ministers conference's resolutions to boycott Egypt and Afghanistan and its condemnation of external pressures on the Islamic states. The lead in *Al-Yom* reported the conference has suspended membership of Afghanistan to the Organization of Islamic Conference (OIC), and has urged the Soviet Union to withdraw immediately from Afghanistan. *Al-Jazirah* reported an official spokesman as saying Saudi Arabia has decided to raise the prices of its oil from \$24 to \$26 per barrel retroactive Jan. 1. It also quoted the Kuwaiti foreign minister as saying that Egypt's confiscation of Arab assets was a disgraceful and immoral act.

In a front-page story, *Al-Medina* reported President Carter's adviser on National Security Affairs, Edwin A. Rice, and Assistant Secretary of State for Middle Eastern Affairs, Robert E. Ross, had

been going to Islamabad shortly to discuss U.S. support for Pakistan. *Al-Jazirah* frontpaged the Egyptian Bar Association's decision to boycott dealings with Israel until it withdraws from Jerusalem and other occupied territories.

*Al-Riyadh* played up the impending meeting of OPEC to discuss the final formula for its new strategy. It also said Venezuela is likely to initiate a new concept on the role of OPEC member states.

The inauguration of Riyadh's first cultural center by Riyadh Governor Prince Salman, and Saudi Arabia's General National Product (GNP) reaching SR248.4 billion during 1978-79 took prominence in *Okaz*. *Al-Yom* highlighted the United States' temporary suspension of economic sanctions against Iran and Canada's embassy staff withdrawal from Tehran. The newspapers generally expressed satisfaction with the

Islamabad conference's resolutions, saying it was a true expression of the new Islamic renaissance and a prelude to confrontation with Communism. Commenting on the outcome, *Al-Riyadh* commended the unanimous decision to effect an Egyptian political, economic and cultural boycott for signing a separate peace treaty with Israel.

The changes in Egypt's political trend has posed a new threat to the Arab and Islamic world. This is no less dangerous than the Israeli occupation of Arab lands and the Soviet military intervention in Afghanistan, it said.

The paper said conference did not discuss a subject that affected any specific state, but issues concerning all states of the Islamic world. The Arab and Islamic world's problem is the absence of their independent personality and falling prey to the superpowers' own interests, said the paper.

*Al-Bilad* praised the efforts to

revive the Islamic renaissance and its total rejection of all attempts on the independence and freedom of the Islamic states. The conference condemned the Communist-imperialist attack on Afghanistan as inconsistent with the legitimate rights of humanity and contradicted the United Nations' Charter, which was designed to end the policy of the jungle and use of force.

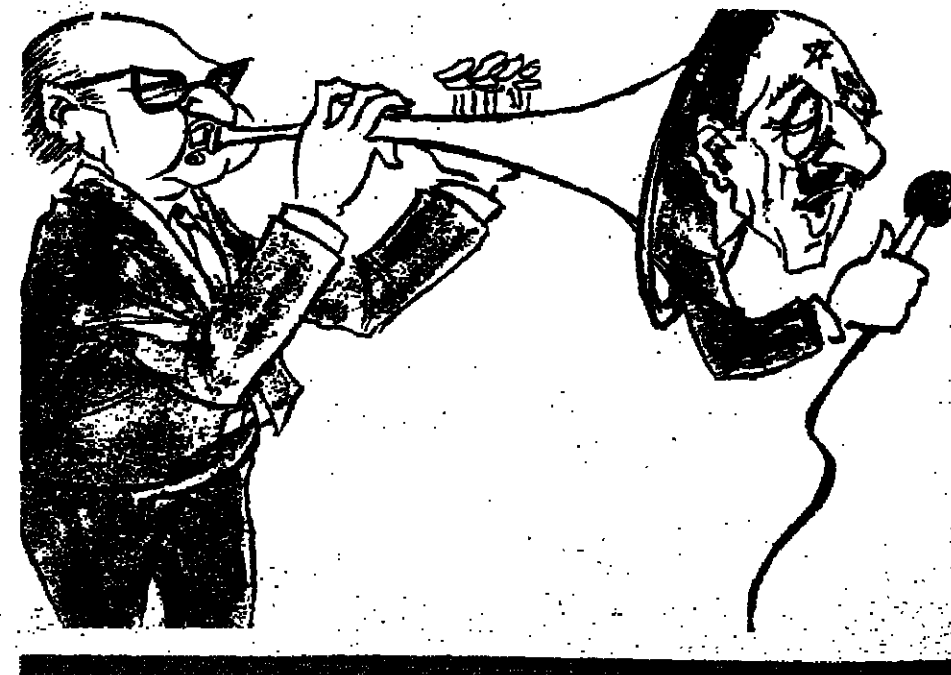
The conference's independent spirit of confronting the situation would enable the Islamic nation to reinforce solidarity and counter all attempts at its unity and cohesion, the paper added.

Dealing with the same subject, *Okaz* said the conference highlights a shift in Islam to confront hostile forces and ensure the position of the international community, as well as world peace and stability. The paper is convinced the conference's resolutions were a natural reaction to Soviet action and a beginning of actual opposi-

tion to Communism. The conference's call for the Soviet Union to withdraw symbolized the desire of the Islamic nation, including the Afghanistan people, as well as the international community and the peace-loving nations of the world, said the paper. It added that the conference's resolutions will have to be implemented seriously in order to achieve desired results.

*Al-Medina* highlighted the anniversary of the Prophet Muhammad's birth which fell on Tuesday, saying the occasion has come at a time when the Islamic world was gripped with conspiracies and assaults. It called upon Muslim intellectuals and scholars to narrow the gap among the Islamic states so enemies are not encouraged to repeat their attacks on the Islamic world.

The paper urged Muslims to meditate and to study the course they ought to pursue



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## What has risen from Atlanta's flames?

By Brandt Ayers

ANNISTON, Alabama — The New South is over. It ended about four years ago.

There was a New South once. There have been several. It is hard to fix a date for the beginning of the present version because the realization occurred to different people at different times, from different experiences.

The knowledge crept up on us from ambush but the realization, when it came, was a stunning sensation. Most link the feeling with a specific event: it was the day Sisyphus lost his job.

The Southern Sisyphus had grunted behind the rock of poverty, pellagra and prejudice since it was put here at Appomattox. Its weight was all the more deadly because of scorn that we were quick to sense out of defensive pride and wounded self-respect, even in its more benign forms. The rock was a point of reference, the way Southerners defined their relationships with each other and the rest of the country.

Then, on Nov. 3, 1976, most of us awoke to

the startling realization that the rock was gone. The nation had elected a president from the Georgia black belt, Jimmy Carter. The South had rejoined the nation; we were affirmed, validated, inspected and stamped U.S. Prime, 100 percent American. It was a time to whoop it up, to shout Hallelujah! and hear the echoes come roaring back from the amen corner.

The elation began to go flat for me the next October in the Oval Office. Jody Powell had arranged for me to interview President Carter, and the press secretary and I were chatting. I did not know the president had entered until I heard, "Hello, Brandt." When I turned, he stuck out his hand and asked disconcertingly, "How's the South?" It was an offhand remark, as if he were inquiring about some place he had visited once or twice during the campaign.

Eventually, we in the South began to return his neutral feeling, to regard him as we might someone we used to know but who had moved away years ago. This sentiment measured a turn of a few more degrees away from passionate parochialism and toward a sense

of ourselves as distinctive parts of the whole, away from defining ourselves in terms of an Old South, New South, New New South, and toward a feeling of being American Southerners.

Jimmy Carter was the first man available to symbolize the possibility of the restoration, the return of an ancient birthright. Having opened the door to that wider universe, he was on his own to succeed or fail on his own merit.

He made us feel that national honor was secure by his steady, self-confident handling of Iran and Afghanistan. But folks in the Courthouse Barber Shop and other universities of common wisdom in Anniston made no excuses for the tedious pace of most of his first 1,000 days. We forgot he was a Southerner because the office is supposed to symbolize the best in the American character.

Jimmy Carter shows his heritage only in private. During the summit at Camp David, he and I were going down a buffet line and found ourselves alone across a halved watermelon — one of the tricky cultural symbols of the South. The president brought up the name of a mutual friend, Vernon Jordan, president of the National Urban League, who delights in teasing his white friends. "Every time Vernon comes to the White House," Carter said with a grin that reached his eyes, "he asks, 'When are you gonna give me some watermelon, Mr. President?'"

America had come through a really crummy decade during which we discovered our cities can be scary places, our arms can be frustrated and our leaders can be liars. Passionate feelings of pent-up patriotism, North and South, were driven by boiling blood. Out of the deepest national craving, we needed a good sovereign to symbolize the best in our national character and as the indispensable author of the national vision. Instead, we got Jimmy Carter, the Christian cowboy who had never drawn his six-gun in anger. We had to admit he had the patience of Job, that he had done some great things, that he was a good man, but damned if he wasn't a hard man to know, to love, to follow — until Iran.

Jimmy Carter, between 1970 and 1976, was among the first visible symbols of the New New South, the ultimate validation of the reunification and, finally, the man who made such slogans as the "New South" not only unnecessary but boring.

If Southerners are no longer in the grip of the mad distraction of race, then what are



"If Southerners are no longer in the grip of the mad distraction of race, then what are we?"

we? Is old Dixie dead? What does Sisyphus do when he loses his job?

Every generation has produced its professional mourners to proclaim the death of Dixie prematurely, but the death has been observed even more often than sightings of a New South. That perfectly irrational sense of being Southern will last as long as there are people to sing "Dixie."

But what vision will replace the discarded mythologies of the past? This is a troubling question of values and policy. The South has always hankered after the twin gods of Yankee materialism: cities and factories. And, God knows, Southerners can't be blamed for wanting a little more of the mass for so long produced and consumed elsewhere. It means

that the South will cease to be a capital-deficit region in the 1980s, which, among other things, means the arts: cinemas, symphonies, ballets, theaters. For most people, it means fixing up the house, sending the kids to college and buying a camper.

These are good things, but there is a kind of uncritical mimicry to the post-New-South South. Instead of mindlessly duplicating Yankee mistakes, the Southern Sisyphus could find useful new employment by wedding Southern agrarian values with Yankee impatience to turn ideas into policy. Agrarians in the 1930s grossly exaggerated the virtues of the Old South but they did ask the right questions: growth for whom, growth for what?

One of their number, Allen Tate, died last February. He was a Southern poet, dead at 79, exactly the age of the 20th century, of which he was not overly fond. Three days after Tate died, CBS broadcast "Gone with the Wind," and the Old South perished again in the flames of Atlanta. That same evening in the "New" Atlanta, blacks and whites dined together in a revolving restaurant at the top of the Peachtree Plaza Hotel, a 70-story finger stuck impudently toward heaven. The integrated diners slowly revolved, looking down on the blacks and whites eating together in another Atlanta hotel similarly turning in place.

In the artificial-orange, mercury-vapor daylight of the canyon far below a solitary voice asked: is this all there is to it?

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### Goings on about town

#### Jeddah

Saturday, Feb. 2

The Natural History Society monthly meeting, held at the USGS compound near Spinzer's Restaurant off Medina Road, will see slides of Saudi flora and fauna by John Gasperetti and commentary by John Lockhart at 8:00 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 4

A coffee morning for British community wives will be held at 10:30 a.m. in the ambassador's garden.

Wednesday, Feb. 6

The Al Faisaliya Women's Welfare Society is to open an art exhibition, including paintings, bedu jewelry and Middle Eastern antiquities, at the Jeddah Dome from 5:00 to 9:00 p.m. It is open to the public, both men and women.

Friday, Feb. 15

The newly formed Hobie 16 Catamaran fleet is to hold its first open regatta at the RSSA ground on Obhur Creek. All Hobie 16 owners are invited to join. Lunch and soft drinks will be provided.

#### Riyadh

Monday, Feb. 2 through Saturday, Feb. 9

An exhibition of silk paintings by Deniele Jarolimek at the Saudi Arts and Culture Center in the public garden on Khazan Street near Riyadh Tower from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday is for women only.

Monday, Feb. 4

Horse and camel races begin at 3:30 p.m. at Malazz Stadium. The public is invited.

#### Dhahran

Saturday, Feb. 2

Carney Gavin, Director of the Harvard Semitic Museum will address the Dhahran Outing Group on early photography in the Middle East in the Oil Exhibit Theater at 7:30 p.m. It is open to the public.

Saturday, Feb. 2 through Thursday, Feb. 7

A motor show at the Al Gosaibi Hotel, Al Khobar, will display, from 4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. daily for men. Family times on the third, fourth and eight of February from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Entrance is free.



I. Ben-Tahir, candidate for Canada's Parliament

## A Canadian Muslim on the campaign trail

By Alan Kenney

JEDDAH — The first Canadian Muslim to run for that country's House of Commons feels the widening gulf of misunderstanding between the Arab world and the West can only have dire consequences.

I. Ben-Tahir, director of air requirements for the National Defense Headquarters in Ottawa, is running as an independent. He is visiting the Middle East to gain support for his cause.

"There is a great deal of misunderstanding between Muslims and the West, especially in the oil rich countries," Ben-Tahir said. "And the West believes the oil countries are trying to take advantage of them by excessive oil prices and buying gold at very high prices."

He believes that all these assumptions are erroneous. "The West hasn't tried to establish a dialogue between the Arabs or Iran at the popular level." However, he said this "crisis" can be worked out if the Arabs develop faith in the West.

"No one speaks for Muslims in the United States, the United Kingdom or Canada. All the information they receive is negative and has contributed to counter-productivity."

He said that if prices are not checked, it will lead to an economic crisis in the West, "and this will weaken the West's position in providing assistance and guaranteeing security to its friends and allies." He cited Afghanistan as an example of the Soviet strategy of territorial aggrandizement as a result of this type of weakening.

Tahir took international strategic studies at

Lehigh University in the United States. He did his thesis on what he called, "Half-life Syndrome in Cycles of Information." He said he gained an understanding of the Soviet Union and its desire to obtain a warm-water port.

"Soviet aggressionism works on a 12-year cycle — in 1932 they adventured in Manchuria; in 1944 it was Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania; in 1956 it was Hungary; 1968 it was Czechoslovakia and now in 1980 it is Afghanistan," he said.

What is even more important Ben-Tahir said, is that the Soviets have a secondary "hemi-cycle." Every second year of a five-year economic plan the Soviet Union produces a surplus of arms, which it sells to the Third World.

"As a result there were several conflicts begun from their efforts," he said which include the 1962 Cuban crisis, the third Arab-Israeli war in 1973 and in 1977 Soviet-armed Ethiopia crushed Somalia and Eritrea.

"Based on these two assumptions, I project that in the early 80's Russians will try for the biggest prize yet — perhaps the Middle East by waging a war of proxy. They could do this through Afghanistan and Pakistan, Afghanistan and Iran, Iran and Turkey or Iraq, or even through inciting a war between India and Pakistan."

"Their actions do have strategic implications. The only solution to the problem is for the Arabs and the West to 'begin a serious dialogue.'"

Although Tahir is Canadian, and has lived there for the past 22 years, he comes from India and claims Arab and Muslim ancestry. He stopped in Saudi Arabia to make the minor pilgrimage to Mecca.

He said Arab culture is older and richer than Western civilization and has, had a longer time to develop its spiritual values. This is one way the Arab nation can help the West, he said.

"The Arabs are going through a type of renaissance," Ben-Tahir feels that now is the time for Arabs to develop a dialogue with the West to explain their point of view, their beliefs and values.

He also feels a dialogue of this kind can help the West to regain a stronger spirit, which it has lost as a result of its obsession with technology.

"The whole Arabic cultural value system is so different that someone needs to elaborate on it and make the West understand why the Muslim thinks differently."

Ben-Tahir has taken a leave of absence from his job so he may devote his time to campaigning during the three weeks left before the election. Since he is running as an independent he has had to work harder than the established candidates, who are backed by their parties.

"I have taken out a loan and receive some support from local Arabs, but mostly I'm fighting some hard waves in the form of the status quo to win this seat, but I feel that it is important to get someone in Parliament who will understand and work closer with the Arabs."

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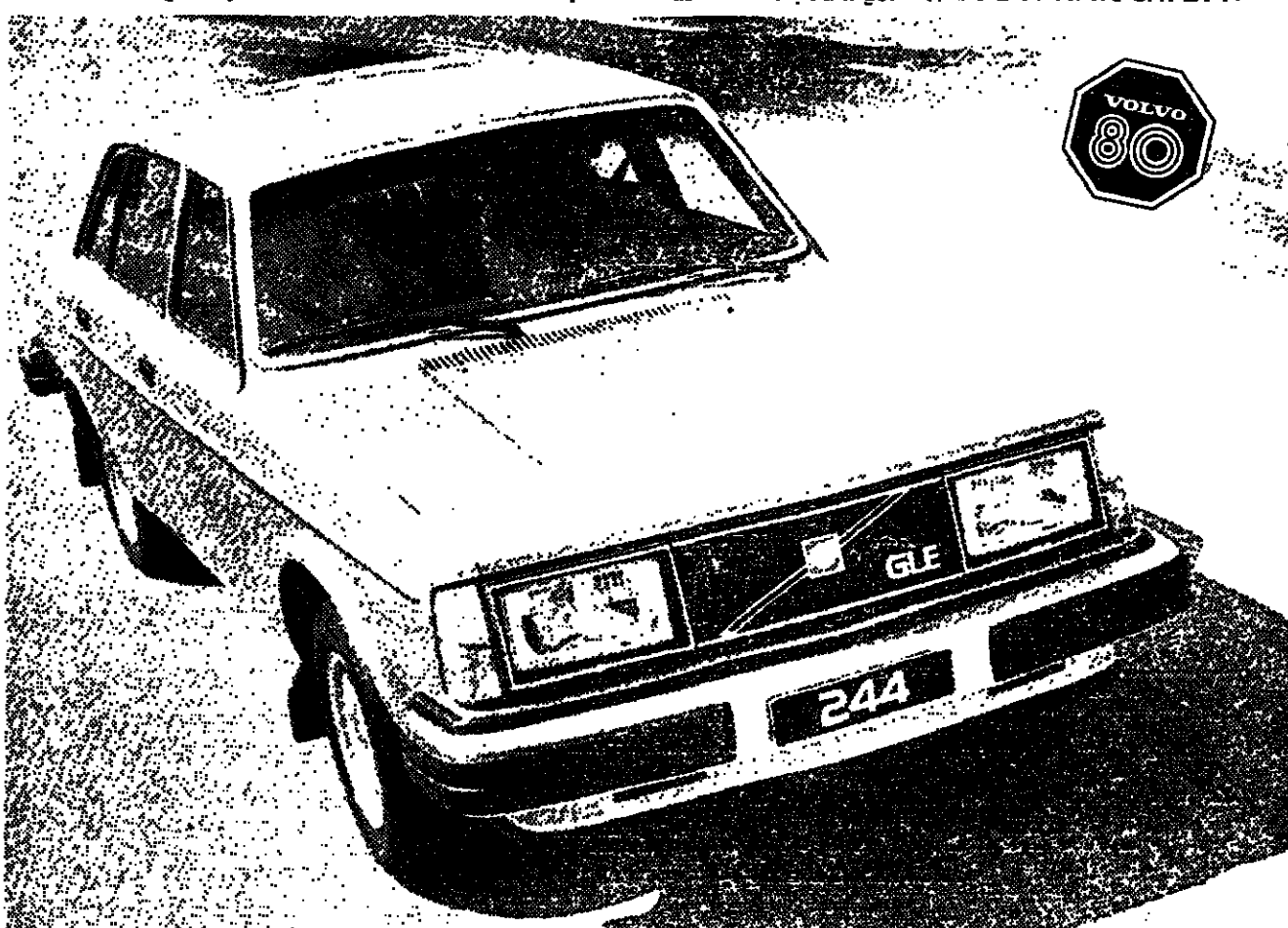
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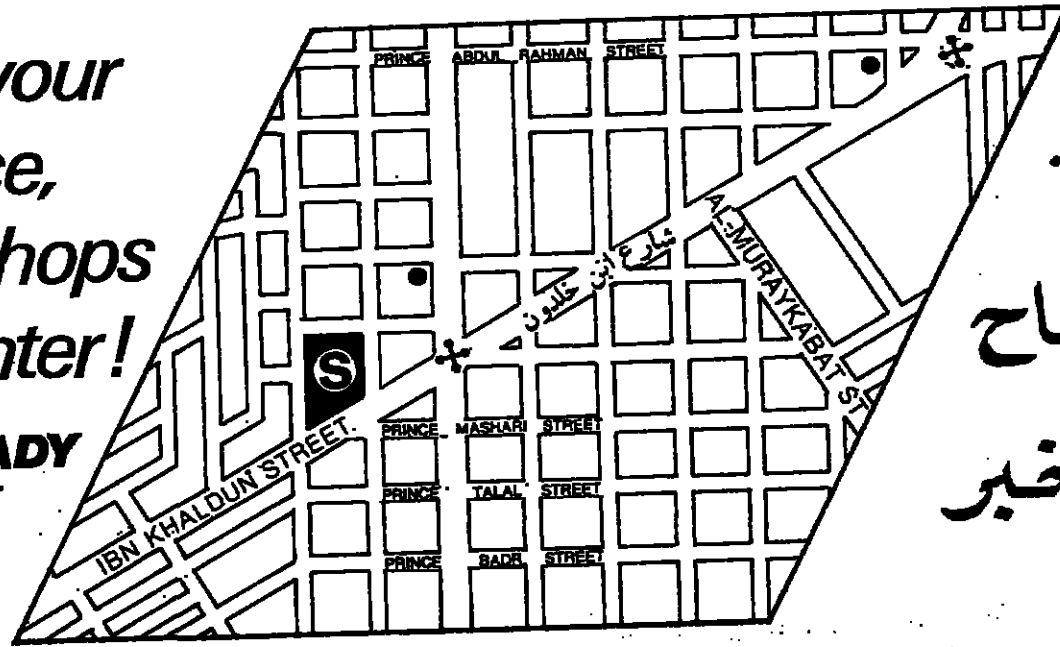
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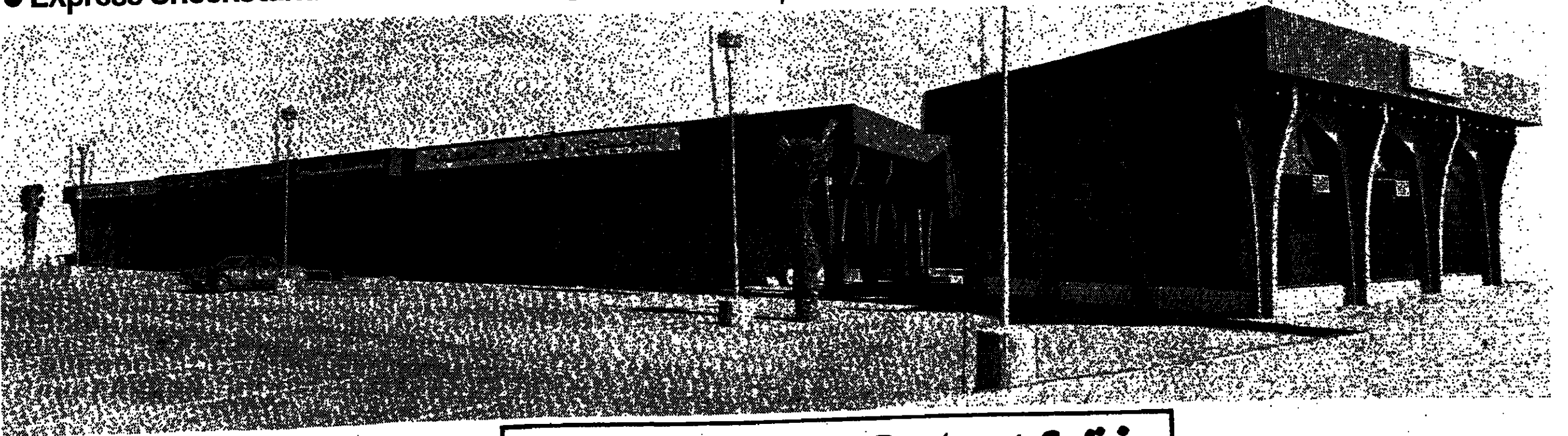
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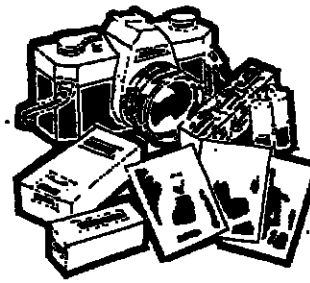
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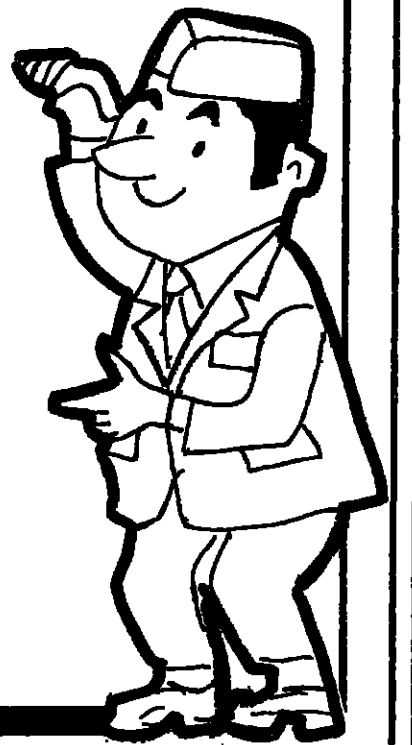
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## In report to Congress

## Carter predicts bleak U.S. economy

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (AP) — President Jimmy Carter on Wednesday painted the bleakest outlook yet for inflation in the United States, saying it could be much worse for years to come unless workers accept at least a temporary reduction in their purchasing power.

"The rise in hourly wages and other income has to be reduced in order to bring down the rate at which costs are rising," the president and his aides said in the administration's annual economic report to Congress. Since productivity decreased last year, rising wages result in still-higher prices, they said.

## Third World cooperates for development

NEW DELHI, Jan. 30 (R) — Developing countries at a U.N. conference here have devised a program setting out not only what they seek from the industrial powers, but also what they themselves will do to hasten Third World industrialization.

Tunisian delegate Ahmed Ghezal, chairman of the developing nation grouping known as the "Group of 77," told reporters that whatever the outcome of the 127-nation conference of the U.N. Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) here, a framework would emerge for cooperation among developing countries.

He said the Group of 77 had agreed to increase cooperation in establishing joint projects to cover the entire range of industrial production, enlarging financial flows among them and establishing multinational enterprises in energy and energy-related capital equipment.

He said the group was preparing a dialogue with rich nations to overcome differences which center around the proposed \$300 billion global fund to stimulate industrialization in the Third World over the next two decades.

Carter also said that while the immediate focus of government policy must be to hold inflation below last year's 13.3 per cent rate, it also is essential to make progress in reducing the inflation rate.

"Over the long term, we will either bring inflation down or it will assuredly get worse," Carter said. "Another sharp rise in oil prices or a world-wide crop shortage could provide the next turn of the ratchet."

No president in recent memory has presented such a grim outlook for inflation.

Carter said the underlying inflation rate, meaning inflation after discounting volatile increases in food, fuel and housing costs, is now 8 to 9 per cent, up from 6 to 6.5 per cent just two years ago.

Consumer prices increased 13.3 per cent last year, the biggest increase in 33 years. Charles L. Schultze, the chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers, said the forecasts anticipate an overall increase in domestic energy prices of 20 per cent this year and an increase in world oil prices slightly above the U.S. inflation rate, or more than 10 per cent.

He said if the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries increases its prices "significantly more than this, it will cause us some trouble."

Carter has said that although his advisers are predicting a recession, he is not completely convinced one will occur.

Carter said the doubling of oil prices in the last 12 months was the major cause of worsening inflation in 1979, although not the only one, and still poses a grave threat to prices this year.

Carter's administration predicts that the economy of Britain will be the only one among the major countries of the world to join the United States in shrinking this year. It estimates that Britain's production will drop by 2 per cent in 1980, compared with a 6 per cent drop in the United States.

"The United Kingdom's fall in output," says the president's economic report to Congress, "does not derive principally from the rise in oil prices but from the very sharp shift toward restrictive monetary and fiscal

policies instituted by the new (British) government.

The report predicts growth of 4.8 per cent for Japan, 2.3 per cent for West Germany, 2 per cent for France and Italy and 1.5 per cent for Canada.

The average growth foreseen for the six major countries outside the United States is 2.6 per cent, compared with 4.1 per cent in 1978 and 1979.

Though the report says the overall slowdown "need not be prolonged," it adds that the outlook is precarious.

"Further substantial increases in the price of oil could induce a widespread recession as well as higher inflation," it predicts.

The report emphasizes the role of oil in the world economy, and compares the present situation with the rise in prices in 1974 and the recession and inflation that followed.

The situation is now worse, the report said because the price is not likely to ease, as it did in the previous situation, unless there is rapid and substantial conservation of oil.

In other ways it is seen as more hopeful: the pressure of consumer demand is lower, some countries have recognized that the remedy is not to be found in big wage increases and there is better international cooperation.

Under the heading of "needed response," the report also makes the following points: — Although protectionism may seem attractive to the country that starts it, when retaliation from other countries is taken into account it can be costly to all — including the country that took the first step.

— Trade policy should focus on adjustment to new circumstances rather than on artificial preservation of existing trade patterns.

Meanwhile, the U.S. Commerce Department announced that America's merchandise trade deficit totaled \$24.7 billion in 1979, a 3.7 billion improvement over the previous year.

The value of imports had exceeded exports by \$28.4 billion in 1978 and \$26.6 billion in 1977. The U.S. balance of trade was last in the black in 1975.

## British steel union obeys court

LONDON, Jan. 30 (AP) — Bill Sims, leader of a national strike crippling the state-run British Steel Corp., Tuesday called on his men to defy a court ruling prohibiting them from tying up independent steel companies. But he was overruled by his own executive committee.

The committee agreed to abide by a court of appeal order and directed 10,000 men who walked out of 16 independent companies to return to their jobs.

The committee also agreed to halt "secondary picketing" of firms not involved in the BSC strike.

Earlier, Sims, head of the main steelmen's union, the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation, had been cheered by scores of strikers outside his union headquarters in London when he issued the call to disobey the court of appeal's injunction. The men carried banners reading, "pay us or jail us."

"This grant will be used to improve the facilities of the Ministry of Industry and the companies and factories under its supervision," the agency said, "and to correct all harmful side effects to the environment caused by these projects."

## Venezuelan president visits M.E.

CARACAS, Jan. 30 (AP) — Venezuela President Luis Herrera Campins will launch a ten-day Middle East swing next Monday to visit with presidents of six members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, the government confirmed Wednesday. The president will be accompanied by Energy and Mines Minister Humberto Calderon Berti, the current president of



MAGNIFICENT MAGNIFIER: Scientists of Northrop Nortronics in Anaheim, California have perfected a new zoom lens that can give a magnifying power of 10-to-one on a projection slide. Using computers, the scientists plan to perfect 1,000-to-one magnification. The image of downtown Los Angeles is projected on the screen shown here.

## Record revenues in 1979

## Merrill Lynch reports profits

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 — Merrill Lynch and Co. Inc. Wednesday reported record high revenues and earnings for both the fourth quarter and the full year of 1979. The announcement was made by Donald T. Regan, chairman, and Roger E. Birk, president of the financial services company.

Consolidated revenues for the fourth quarter reached a record \$592.4 million, up from \$406.4 million for the comparable quarter of 1978. Consolidated net earnings soared to \$29.6 million, the highest for any fourth quarter in Merrill Lynch's history. This compares with \$9.1 million for the similar quarter a year ago. On a per share basis, net earnings amounted to 82 cents per common share, compared with 26 cents.

Merrill Lynch's revenues for all of 1979

crossed the \$2 billion mark for the first time in its history. Consolidated revenues for the year came to \$2.052 billion, up from \$1.529 billion a year ago.

Net earnings for 1979 rose to a historic high of \$118.7 million, or \$3.26 per common share, from \$71.3 million, or \$2 a share, reported for 1978. The 1979 earnings broke the previous high established by Merrill Lynch in 1976, when the company reported earnings of \$106.6 million or \$3.01 a share.

At its meeting, the board of Merrill Lynch declared a regular quarterly dividend of 24 cents per common share. The dividend is payable on Feb. 22, 1980 to the stockholders of record as of Feb. 8, 1980. The 24-cent quarterly dividend rate was established by the board six months ago when it was raised from 22 cents a share.

Commenting on the results, Regan and Birk said "The record fourth quarter performance was achieved in spite of the turbulent markets in the early weeks of the quarter."

"Along with the equity markets, our commissions on commodities future transactions also rose sharply."

"Our principal transactions revenues gained during the fourth quarter. Despite the erratic markets in October, our government and municipal bond operations achieved sharp gains, and our over-the-counter trading and arbitrage activities had excellent fourth quarters."

"Our investment banking revenues registered a 15.8 increase in the quarter. This resulted from an increase in the major underwritings managed or co-managed by the Merrill Lynch White Weld Capital Markets group along with a rise in the underwriting of bond funds in the quarter."

## More U.S. oil companies reap record profits

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 (AP) — Gains in North Sea crude oil production helped spur Conoco Inc. to an 80.7 per cent jump in profits and Phillips petroleum co. to a 24 per cent earnings increase in 1979, the companies said Tuesday.

The announcements continued the stream of higher earnings reports from major oil companies that resulted in part from the doubling of world oil prices last year.

Conoco, the United States' ninth-largest oil company, said it is stepping up its capital spending program by 17.7 per cent this year raising its outlay for energy exploration and development and other major projects to \$1.7 billion from \$1.4 billion in 1978.

Eleventh-ranked Phillips said earlier it capital spending budget would rise to \$1.4 billion this year from \$1.4 billion in 1978.

Conoco said it earned \$815.4 million, or 7.58 a share, against \$451.3 million, or \$4.2 a share, in 1978. Fourth-quarter earnings rose to \$190.7 million, or \$1.77 a share, up 22.8 per cent from \$155.2 million, or \$1.45 a share, in the fourth quarter of 1978.

Annual revenues rose to \$13.1 billion from \$9.9 billion.

Phillips announced it earned \$891.1 million, or \$5.77 a share, last year, up from 1977 earnings of \$718.1 million, or \$4.66 a share. Quarterly earnings came to \$306.5 million, or \$1.98 a share, against \$279.5 million, or \$1.81 a share, in the fourth quarter of 1978.

Annual revenues rose to \$9.7 billion from \$7.4 billion.

## Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 7:00 P.M. Wednesday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.36	3.371	3.3625
Pound Sterling	7.59	7.66	7.64
Deutsche Mark (100)	194.00	196.00	194.50
Swiss F (100)	208.00	213.50	208.65
French F (100)	83.00	83.50	83.15
Italian Lira (10,000)	42.00	41.00	41.95
Lebanese Lira (100)		103.25	102.65
Syrian Lira (100)		82.00	86.60
Egyptian Pound		4.59	4.52
Kuwaiti Dinar		12.45	12.30
Jordanian Dinar		11.45	11.45
Emirates Dirham (100)		90.50	90.10
Qatari Riyal (100)		90.92	91.95
Bahraini Dinar		9.00	8.96
Iranian Riyal (100)		25.00	—
Iraqi Dinar (100)		10.00	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)		—	74.10
Moroccan Dirham (100)		85.00	91.00
Indian Rupee (100)		—	42.35
Pakistani Rupee (100)		—	34.15
Gold kg.		74,800.00	—
10 Tolas bar		8,700.00	—
Silver kg.		—	—
Japanese Yen (1,000)	14.40	—	14.15
Canadian Dollar	2.88	—	—
Belgian Franc (1,000)	119.00	—	—
Dutch Guilder (1,000)	175.00	—	176.00
Spanish Peso	—	50.00	51.50
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	82.00	—
Philippines Peso (1,000)	—	—	46.00
Singapore	—	—	1.58

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1A	Merzario Persia	A.E.T.	Ro Ro	29:1.80
1	Sabah 'A'	Alwani	Loading Cars/Gen.	27:1.80
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4	Char Ly	Abdullah	Contra/Steel/Gen.	25:1.80
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12	Maldiva Venture	El Hawi	Bananas	27:1.80
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13	Berge MG 338-1	Kanoo	Contra/Steel/Gen.	29:1.80
14	Ibn Shuhaid	El Hawi	Reefer	27:1.80
15	Novi T	Rolaco	Bulk Cement	27:1.80
18	Medcement Carrier	Fayez	Durra/Melon Seeds	27:1.80
20	Hamid	Alsebah	Sugar	29:1.80
21	Ethidis	S.N.L.	Containers/Gen.	29:1.80
22	Monson	O.C.E.	Frozen Chicken/	26:1.80
23	Meridian Ice		Eggs	
24	Casuarina	Alsaada	H.Lifts/General/	29:1.80
			M.Powder	29:1.80
26	Sendan Maru	Alireza	General	28:1.80
29	Seki Rokel	Fayez	Ro Ro	29:1.80
30	Imperia	Star	Frvuits	29:1.80
39	Chrysanthi	A.A.	Tiles/General	11:1.80
40	Blue Sea	O.C.E.	Tiles	24:1.80
42	Aeolian Star	Alpha	Barley	24:1.80

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3.	Asia Guho	Gulf	Cement/General	28:1.80
4.	Karl Mark	Kanoo	Gen/Sugar	28:1.80
10.	New Beach	Gulf	Loading Urea	20:1.80
11.	Ionian Reefer	S.M.C.	Poultry/Apples	29:1.80
16.	Ravadas	Gulf	General/Sugar	29:1.80
17.	Tilos	Barber	Gen./Contra	28:1.80
21.	Arabian Luluah	Barber	Cement Silo VSL	28:1.80
27.	Melina	U.E.P.	General	25:1.80
28.	Silver Bay	Kanoo	Contra/General	26:1.80
30.	Kaliet Island	U.E.P.	General	28:1.80
31.	Kao Mu	Algozab	Cement in Bulk	26:1.80
36.	Peletus (D.B.)	S.M.C.	Barits in Bulk	26:1.80
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## Market opens firm, late trading fades

NEW YORK, Jan. 30 — Following a firm opening in which stocks gained Tuesday throughout the early morning hours, the market began to fade in early afternoon trading in possible reaction to the bond markets weakness and unconfirmed rumors of an impending hike in the discount rate. The markets late afternoon slump being attributed to the disappointing trade gap figures. U.S. trade gap widened to \$3.08 billion in Dec. with overall imports rising 7.9 per cent after falling 2.3 per cent in Nov. while overall imports fell 1.2 per cent after rising 1 per cent in Nov. by volume, oil imports rose 17.4 per cent and the overall oil imports rose 23.7 per cent after falling 20.6 per cent in November. Recovering slightly earlier lows the DJII closed at 874.40 down 4.10 on 55.77 million shares. Losers outpaced gainers 520 to 1019 with 359 issues unchanged. The DJII closed up .10 to 277.17 and the DJIU was

unchanged at 107.75. Gold reached 705 on the N.Y. Exchange.

Among the most advanced issues on the day, Newmont Mining 3 1/4 to 52, Hecla mining 3 1/4 to 47, Cabot Corp. 3 1/4 to 58, Asarco 3 1/4 to 51 1/2, Dome Mines 3 1/4 to 59 1/2, Homestake 3 1/4 to 60 1/2, Allied Chem. 3 to 57, Callahan Mining 2 1/4 to 39, Florida Steel Corp. 2 1/4 to 45 1/4 and Sunshine Mining 2 1/4 to 36 1/4.

Among the most declined issues on the day, Texas Pacific Land Tr 3 1/4 to 94, Texas Oil and gas 3 to 36 1/4, Tektronix 2 1/4 to 60 1/4, Std. of Ohio 2 1/4 to 98 1/4, Conoco 2 1/4 to 52 1/4, No. Telecom Ltd. 2 1/4 to 40 1/4, Cities Service 2 1/4 to 94 1/4, Allis Chalmers Corp. 2 1/4 to 30 1/4, McMoran 2 to 51 1/4 and Teledyne 2 to 145 1/4.

Growth and Glamours slumped on the day J and J 1 to 76, Smithkline 1 1/4 to 58 1/4 Burroughs 1 1/4 to 82, Xerox 1 1/4 to 65 1/4, Eastman Kodak 1 1/4 to 49 1/4, Computervision 1 1/4 to 55 1/4.

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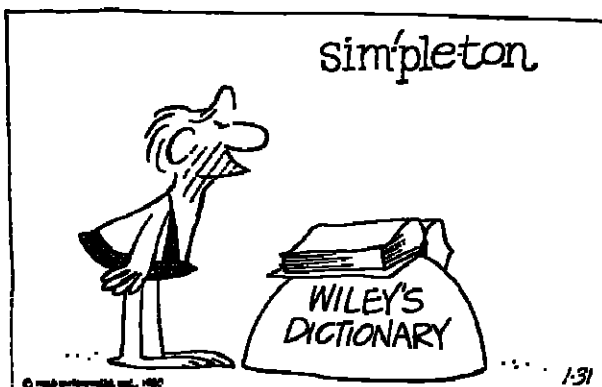
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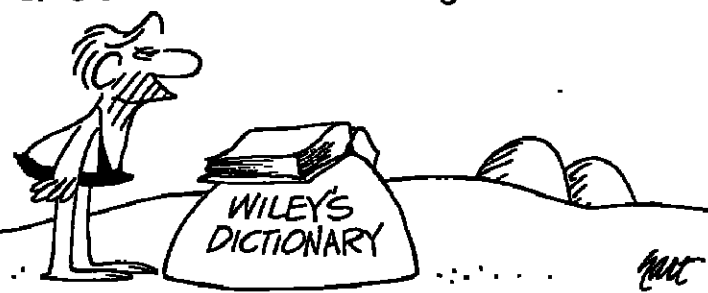




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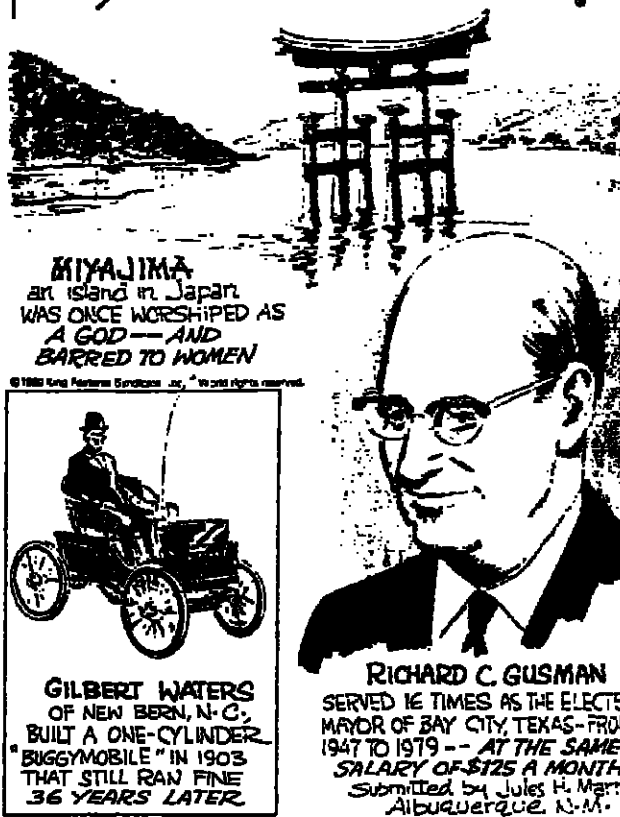


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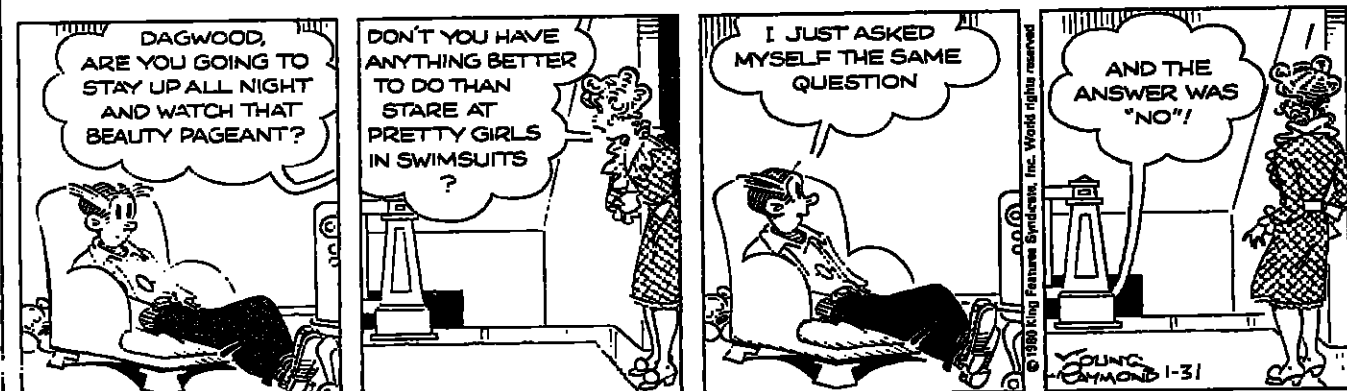
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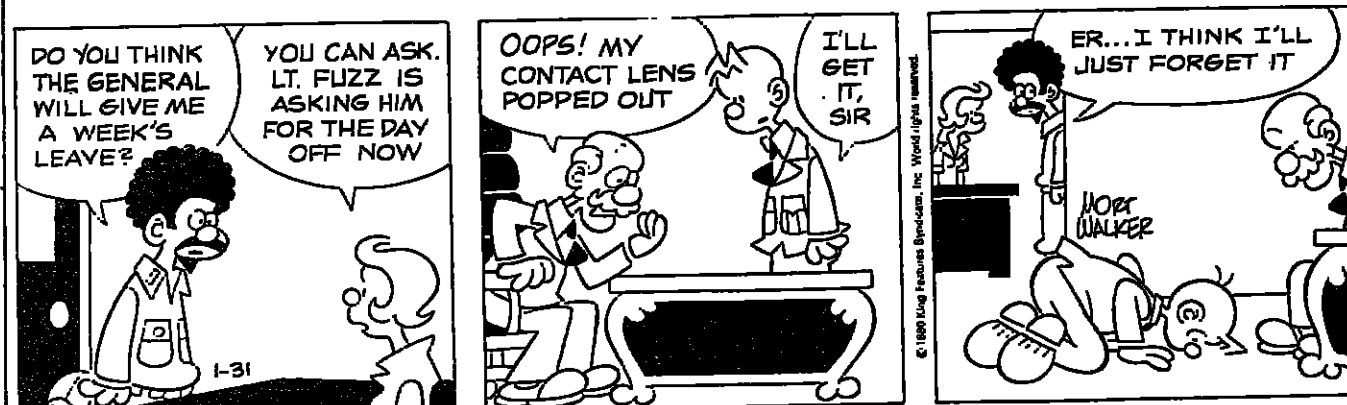
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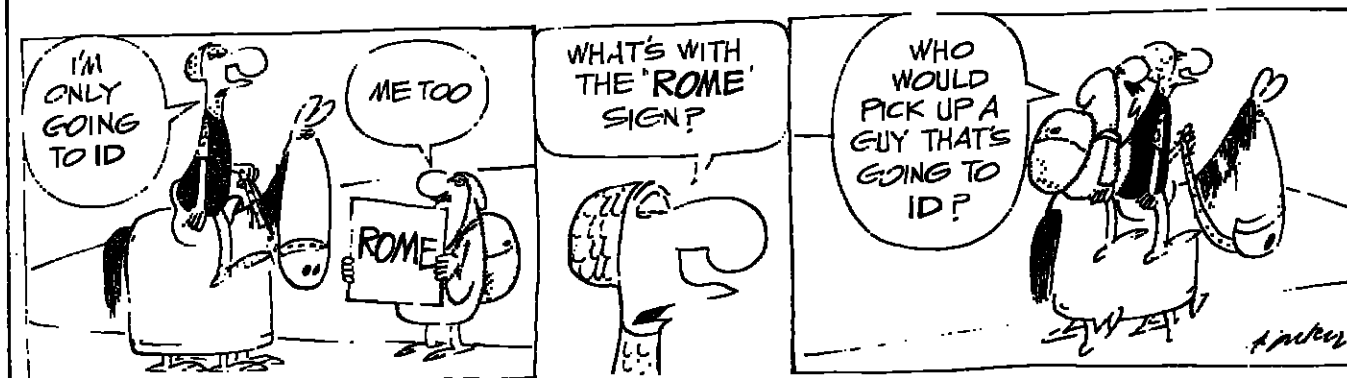
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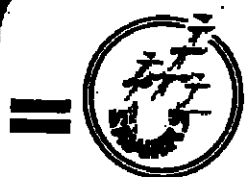
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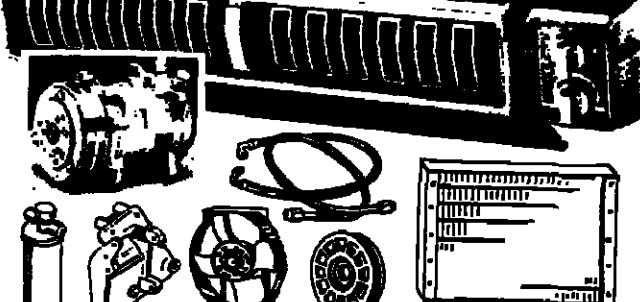
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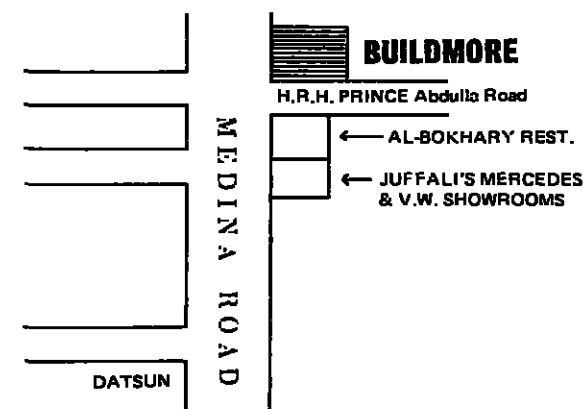
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## U.S. will defend allies, Brown says

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30 (Agencies) — Threat of disruption of OPEC oil supplies and "the massive Soviet military power in Eastern Europe" combined with long-range nuclear weapons in the U.S.S.R. are the greatest dangers to Western Europe, U.S. Secretary of Defense Harold Brown has declared.

In his annual defense report to Congress Brown said, "There can be no doubt that Western Europe is of vital interest to the United States ... we are prepared, if necessary, to fight in defense of our European allies again."

Brown told the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee that "some of the dangers to non-Soviet Europe are of internal origin. Noteworthy among them is the continuing dispute between Greece and Turkey which has weakened NATO's southern flank."

"Economic distress in Portugal and Turkey not only affects their contributions to the common defense, it leaves them vulnerable to political instability and subversion by anti-Democratic elements."

"Internal differences within Yugoslavia could jeopardize an orderly transition to Marshal Tito's successor and create opportunities for external interference," he said.

Brown said the Soviets "have shown an increased assertiveness on their northern flank. And they must inevitably remain nervous about the course of events in Eastern Europe."

"The greatest dangers to Europe, indeed, could arise from sudden and unprovoked attacks than from major East-West crises ignited by difficulties in or near the Soviet orbit."

Pointing out that the U.S. and its allies have been working on many ways to deal with the energy problem, Brown said: "Our ability to deal with the Soviet threat will depend in part on our capacity to conserve energy and diversify our sources of supply."

But the secretary emphasized that U.S. foreign policy can deal with the Soviet military presence "only if it is underwritten by substantial military power."

He said the U.S. has tried to improve relations with the Warsaw Pact nations through trade and other contacts.

But he said: "It would be useless to pretend, however, that these measures by themselves can ameliorate discontent in Eastern Europe, or that they will soften the propensity of the Soviets to maintain maximum con-

trol over Eastern Europe. Resolution and visible military capabilities, as well as expanded economic and other ties with Eastern Europe, are essential if we are to cope effectively but peaceably with these dangers."

**Asks More Money**

Brown urged West Germany and Denmark to meet a NATO goal of raising their defense spending by three per cent.

Brown said West Germany had "reduced its sights to a 1.6 per cent increase."

"I think it is time for them to re-examine the situation in light of the events of the past few months," he said.

Brown said Denmark had wanted to make a 1.5 per cent increase but had now dropped that goal to zero.

The U.S. itself proposes to increase its defense spending to a record \$142.7 billion this year — an increase of 3.3 per cent in real terms after inflation.

**Africa Threatened**

Brown said that the Soviet Union continues "to seize opportunities for involvement in Africa as they arise."

He said the Soviets "rely heavily on military rather than economic assistance to ingratiate themselves with indigenous groups."

The secretary said the U.S. stake in Africa has grown and "our abiding concern for human rights as focussed particularly on events in Southern Africa."

Brown said "the difficulties in developing a stable and durable political consensus in Zimbabwe-Rhodesia, the persistence of South Africa's internal racial policies, and the threat of a breakdown in the Namibian negotiations are still causes for concern."

The secretary told Congress that insurgencies against Ethiopia continue in the Ogaden and Eritrea, while in the Western Sahara "the conflict which involves the Polisario guerrillas, Morocco and Algeria continues at a heightened pace."

He said Soviet, East European and Cuban military personnel are active in more than 20 African countries.

The secretary put the number of Cuban military personnel in Angola at 19,000 along with 1,300 Soviet and East European military technicians. He said there were 16,500 Cubans in Ethiopia and 1,400 Soviets and East Europeans.

But Brown said the position of the Soviets in Ghana, the Sudan, Somalia, and Egypt has been reduced "and some of the states where the Soviets retain considerable influence



Secretary Brown

have shown a desire to strengthen ties with the West."

**Technology for Peking**

Brown said he has urged Japan to expand its defense programs and told Communist China the U.S. is ready to consider "transfer of technology ... which we would not provide the Soviet Union."

Brown said Japan remains "the keystone of our security position in the Far East."

And he declared that although the U.S. would not sell China weapons, "a strong, secure, and modernizing China is in the interest of the United States."

Pointing to dangers in Asia, the secretary said:

— The Soviets are increasing their ground forces on the Chinese border.

— They have strengthened their garrisons on the northern territories of Japan.

— They have increased and modernized their Pacific fleet.

— The North Koreans have engaged in a major military buildup and their forces "clearly are not geared for defensive operations."

— The renewed Vietnamese military campaign runs the risk of spilling over into Thailand and "there is a risk the Soviets could become more directly involved in the conflict ... particularly if China were to repeat its attack on Vietnam."

Brown said the U.S. has maintained its military strength in the area, and its alliances with "Japan, the Philippines, our ANZUS partners — Australia and New Zealand are essential if the increasing burdens of defense in the western Pacific and Indian Ocean are to be met."

He said the 46,000 U.S. military personnel stationed in Japan "make a major contribution to the deterrent in East Asia."

And he told Congress "the Japanese are making significant qualitative improvements in their self-defense forces. Over the next few years, they expect to spend about \$14 billion on major defense equipment..."

## Iran to avenge Canada ruse, Ghotbzadeh says

TEHRAN, Jan. 30 (Agencies) — Foreign Minister Sadeq Ghotbzadeh said Wednesday that Canada must bear the responsibility for any increased hardship inflicted on the U.S. hostages and that sooner or later Canada will pay for smuggling six Americans out of Iran.

"Any change in the harshness which may be imposed on the hostages it's only the government of Canada which is going to be responsible for it," he told a news conference in Tehran.

"Therefore, we will not bother to protest what Canada has done but we indicate that sooner or later, here or anywhere in the world, Canada will pay for this violation of the sovereignty of Iran, the forging of the passports and the actions they have taken."

He said the "flagrant violation" of international law evidenced in the issuing of false passports supported the view of Muslim militants holding the U.S. Embassy hostages that international laws are intended only to help the large powers suppress small countries.

Asked whether the treatment of the hostages would become harsher as a result of the incident, he said it was possible.

The six Americans, who escaped capture when the U.S. embassy was seized Nov. 4, slipped out of Tehran after 12 weeks in hiding, helped by the Canadian Embassy and an elaborate ruse of false identities and forged documents.

U.S. State Department spokesman Hodding Carter expressed the "deep appreciation" of the United States for Canada's help. After the six escaped, the Canadians closed their Tehran embassy Monday and evacuated their small staff.

Carter said that any reprisals taken against the approximately 50 hostages still held by Iranian militants in the U.S. Embassy would be "an irrational act."

Officials said not all of the six hid in the Canadian Embassy all the time, but they refused to disclose which other embassies had given them shelter.

The State Department identified the six as Mark Lijek, a consular officer, and his wife Cora Amburn Lijek, who was employed by the embassy as a consular assistant; Robert G. Anders, a consular officer; Henry L. Schatz, an agricultural attaché; Joseph D. Stafford, a consular officer, and his wife Kathleen F. Stafford, a consular assistant.

Carter said the six were not yet back in the United States, but he refused to disclose their whereabouts or any details of their escape.

In Ottawa, Canadian External Affairs Minister Flora MacDonald told reporters that the Americans were outside their own

embassy when students took it over.

On Monday, Miss MacDonald announced that Canadian Ambassador Kenneth Taylor and the remaining three Canadians in the embassy had left Tehran and would not return until after the hostages in the U.S.



Sadeq Ghotbzadeh

Embassy were released. She told reporters Tuesday she did not mention the six before for fear of the lives of the hostages.

Miss MacDonald said the Americans, Taylor and the three others left together, using Canadian passports.

The militants holding the hostages have demanded the return of the ousted Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi in exchange for the prisoners.

Officials said the six escapees did not account for the discrepancy between the number of hostages the State Department has said are in the embassy — 50 — and the number counted by American clergymen who visited the hostages at Christmas — 43.

Muslim students controlling the embassy are demanding to know how the six fled the country posing as Canadian diplomats without the Iranian government's knowledge.

A student spokesman said "the Foreign Ministry must know the number of diplomats in Iran, so how come more than the known number of Canadian diplomats were able to leave."

There was no immediate official reaction to reports that the four men and two women had escaped on scheduled flights at the weekend and the news was not broadcast on state radio or television.

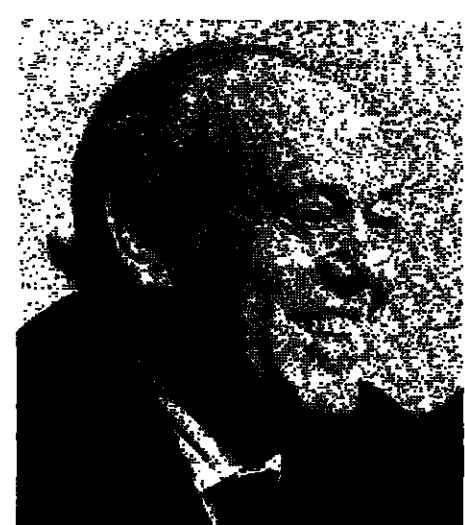
The bold escape caught the embassy militants off guard Tuesday.

"That's illegal! That's illegal!" one of the militants cried to a Western reporter when told of the ruse.

Every since the militants seized the embassy Nov. 4 to press demands for the return of the ousted Shah Mohammad Reza Pahlavi, there have been unconfirmed reports in Tehran that embassy staff members who avoided capture were hiding out in the embassies of other friendly nations.

State Department officials said the six diplomats would be kept at an undisclosed European location for a "decompression period," during which they would rest, tell their stories to government officials, and be briefed about what topics to avoid when talking to the press. That period might last for several days, they said.

They said the families of the six would be allowed to telephone them shortly, but that they would not be reunited until the six returned to the United States.



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## Rhodesian leaders ask election delay

SALISBURY, Jan. 30 (AP) — Britain faced mounting pressures Wednesday to postpone next month's elections because of increasing factional violence, intimidation of voters and demands by newly returned nationalist leaders for more time to campaign.

The latest call for a postponement came from 64 dissidents in the Patriotic Front faction of guerrilla leader Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union, who told a news conference Tuesday they would petition British Governor Lord Soames.

The dissidents, detained for up to three years in Mozambique at Mugabe's request for allegedly plotting his overthrow, returned here Monday.

Spokesman Rugare Gumbo, former information secretary for the Patriotic Front of ZANU, charged the dissidents were tortured and held in a 12-foot deep pit at a Mozambique camp by guerrillas for several months after they were detained in 1977. Later they were moved to camps guarded by Mozambique troops, he said.

The governor, citing last month's London agreement for a cease-fire in the seven-year war and elections Feb. 27-29, barred Mugabe's return until last Sunday, when assurances were given the dissidents would be freed.

Gumbo told the news conference the dissidents would press soon for the governor to postpone the elections to allow them time to decide which party to join. He also asserted further time is needed to gain release for an undisclosed number of other detainees held in Mozambique.

Last week, spokesmen for four other parties said they proposed making a joint appeal to the governor for a postponement of elections because of the intimidation, allegedly by security force auxiliary regulars loyal to Prime Minister Abel Muzorewa. British sources said no such appeal had yet been received.

Soames meanwhile issued an order Wednesday allowing the dissidents to enter candidates in the elections.

Mugabe's ZANU was based in Mozambique during the seven-year guerrilla war with the former Salisbury government.

The deadline for parties and candidates to register for the Feb. 27 voting passed while the dissidents were in detention.

## Leftists seize party office, hold 17

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador, Jan. 30 (AP) — Members of the Popular Leagues of Feb. 28 have taken over the office of the ruling Christian Democratic Party, seized 17 hostages and demanded the resignations of party members of the civilian-military junta.

A spokesman for the leftist group said the occupation was peaceful but the group in the office had arms and would use them for self-protection.

Meanwhile, seven more bodies of persons killed in sectarian violence turned up Tuesday in this tiny Central American country, bringing to 35 the number of victims in the past three days.

Besides asking for resignation of the junta members, the group demanded that the government free some 200 persons reportedly arrested after the Jan. 22 anti-government march here that ended in a bloody shootout.

"We hold the Christian Democratic Party responsible for what happened to our comrades," a group spokesman told reporters. Journalists were not allowed to

talk with the hostages, none of whom was identified.

Kidnappings and occupations of offices are common tactics here by leftist factions fighting to overthrow the government.

The current government came to power early in January, succeeding a military-civilian government formed after rightist Gen. Carlos Humberto Romero was ousted in an Oct. 15 coup.

Both governments promised social and economic reforms but the leftists say the promises are too little, too late.

Police discovered the bodies of four persons on a road leading from this capital to Apulo, 16 km. northwest. They said the bodies bore signs of beatings and each had been shot at least five times.

A police spokesman said several bandanas with the insignia of the Leftist Popular Liberation Forces (FPL) lay near the bodies, but police also found a paper with the word "traitors" written on it and signed by an extreme rightist group known as OLC.

## Gold price falls after sharp jump

LONDON, Jan. 30 (R) — The price of gold dropped to \$691 an ounce Wednesday after taking a sharp jump Tuesday night and earlier Wednesday morning.

It was fixed at this figure on the London bullion market Wednesday afternoon, compared with a morning fix of \$703.50 an ounce.

In New York Tuesday night gold had leapt \$70 an ounce and closed at \$710.

The increase in value was sparked by news of a larger than expected U.S. trade deficit last month — \$3.08 billion — mainly caused by higher prices for imported oil.

The climb continued in Hong Kong earlier Wednesday where gold went to \$723.

But profit-taking trimmed the price later when European markets opened.

The foreign exchange markets were

quite Wednesday, with the dollar steady against most major currencies.

The Pound sterling traded at around \$2.2625, compared with 2.2505 Tuesday, continuing its recovery after a sharp decrease because of fears about Britain's current steel strike.

The dollar traded at 1.73507 West German marks (compared with 1.7368 Tuesday), 1.6190 Swiss francs (1.6165), 4.0607 French francs (4.0652) and 239.20 yen (239.30).

Closing gold prices (in U.S. dollars per troy ounce):

	Wednesday	Tuesday
London	689.50	674.00
Paris	684.96	666.92
Frankfurt	703.50	678.00
Zurich	698.00	675.00
Hong Kong	717.14	643.52

## Pakistanis beat Indians in cricket

CALCUTTA, Jan. 30 (AP) — Pakistan scored 57 for one wicket Wednesday, the second day of the Sixth Test against India after the team was dismissed for 331 in its first innings.

India, resuming at the overnight score of 205 for five, added 126 runs off 41 overs thanks largely to a forceful knock of 62 from Yashpal Sharma. Wicketkeeper Syed Kirmani lent valuable assistance with a gritty 37.

Fast bowlers Imran Khan and Ehteshamuddin took four wickets each for Pakistan.

Pakistan lost opener Sadiq Mohammad at the beginning of its reply but Majid Khan and Taslim Arif added 37 runs without being separated. Khan scored 21 and Arif 28.

The match continues Thursday.

Scores: India 331. Pakistan 57 for one wicket.

## Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

About two weeks ago, with the Iran crisis still boiling merrily away and the Afghanistan crisis going at full blast, I travelled to Houston, Texas, to take part in reviewing the performance of our office there last year and to plan its activities for the next.

The first thing that struck me in America this time — or in Texas, to be precise — was the almost complete absence of politics from the media. All the news was of the final stages of the American football championships. This was the real crisis. This was "where it's at," as the young used to say.

All the papers, the radio stations and the television channels were crammed with interviews and speculations: interviews of team coaches and star players, and speculation about the chances of this that team. Then, always at the end, and as an afterthought, a word or two about the international situation, about what Jimmy Carter had said about it, and how the United States views it — nothing more.

This felt strange: the rest of the world hanging on to what America might say or do and America itself concentrating on football. Our man in Houston assured me that this has always been the case: that football always comes first and that that's all there's to it. Love it or leave it, he almost added.

I also chanced to learn that, before the Second World War, the term "Afghanism" or "Afghanism" was coined, to describe derisively all undue or exaggerated interest in foreign news — what is in Britain summed up under the headline "Earthquake in Chile, not many hurt." I even found this usage in an edition of the ever admirable Webster.

The term has fallen out of use — but what a neat revenge Afghanistan has taken.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awsat

## Radical argues 10 hours against anti-terror bill

ROME, Jan. 30 (AP) — Radical party deputy Alessandro Tessari set a post-Italian filibuster record Wednesday — spoke against an anti-terrorism bill for hours and 35 minutes in the Chamber of Deputies.

"Go ahead, boy, you are close to winning medal!" A Rightist deputy shouted at Tessari during the debate.

A Communist deputy cracked that Tessari should be given an "anti-doping test" before the record was "officially" recognized.

The lower house has been in permanent session since Monday to debate a sweeping bill to give police greater powers to fight terrorists.

The 18 radical deputies are filibustering the bill, claiming it would limit rights of defendants. As one delaying tactic, they proposed 7,500 amendments.

Christian Democrat Premier Francesco Cossiga has asked for a vote of confidence in the bill in an effort to unblock it.

The old filibuster record was set by neofascist leader Giorgio Almirante. He spoke for nine hours and 20 minutes in 1962 against a bill on the status of Italy's regions.

Cossiga had called Monday for a vote of confidence in the Chamber, demanding that the legislature approve the anti-terrorism bill or topple his minority government.

Observers believed there would be resistance to the bill because the opposition Communist and Socialist parties had indicated that they would vote for the bill abstain.

Cossiga, who heads Italy's 38th government since the end of World War II, has come under increasing pressure for failing to star out terrorism. The governor of Sicily and law enforcement officials, including Carabinieri colonel, have been killed in terrorist attacks in the first three weeks of the year.

As debate went on, a powerful bomb went off outside a police station in the Caspalocco residential section on the outskirts of Rome causing widespread damage. There were no casualties, police reported.

Five policemen on duty at the time of the explosion were unharmed.

Shortly after the explosion an anonymous caller told an Italian news agency the bombing was the work of "Ronde Communiste (Communist Squads), an ultra-leftist organization."

The Senate already has approved the anti-terrorism bill containing stiff new measures including mandatory life sentences for the killing of judges and policemen.

But in the lower house, the 18 members of the Radical party have been filibustering claiming that the new measures would limit the rights of defendants.

Italian parliamentary rules allow the government to break the deadlock by asking vote of confidence on the bill as a whole without considering amendments. If the parliament votes against the legislation, the government must resign.